

NEW! N.Y. STATE UNIFORM FIRE PREVENTION AND BUILDING CODE

New York State has mandated a Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code which became effective Jan. 1, 1984. The Town of Hague, at the August 9, 1983 regular meeting, passed Local Law #8 which transferred Hague's powers and duties for enforcement of this Code to the County level. Warren County could have transferred the responsibility to the State, but decided to retain the enforcement powers since the County could better reflect local priorities and local problems than the State.

Effective immediately, "ALL CONSTRUCTION SHALL CONFORM TO THE NEW YORK STATE UNIFORM FIRE PREVENTION AND BUILDING CODE, THE NEW YORK STATE ENERGY CODE AND ALL TOWN AND LOCAL ZONING AND SANITARY CODE." Warren County Dept. of Fire Prevention and Building Code Enforcement.

This has been said before, but it is even more important now: "ASK BEFORE YOU ACT!" ASK Developmental Administrator Bill Foster what you must do BEFORE you begin any construction OR destruction project. Mr. Foster is at the Hague Town Hall Monday thru Friday from 9 AM to noon. (518-543-6161). The basic procedure is as follows:

ONE: Obtain a building permit application at the Town Hall and complete it by providing all requested information.

TWO: Comply with zoning and sanitary codes and/or if necessary, obtain required variances.

THREE: When number TWO is approved, a Zoning Compliance Certificate is issued by the Town Administrator. Take the Certificate, notarized application, two sets of specification sheets, two

sets of plans with elevations, three plot plans, including water supply and sewage system, and an application for electrical inspection to the New York Board of Fire Underwriters and the appropriate fees to the Fire Prevention Building Code Department in the Municipal Center to have your plans and application reviewed.

FOUR: If your plans conform to the specifications set forth in the code you will receive your permit, good for ONE year. If not approved, you will be informed of the deficiencies and will be allowed to make corrections and re-submit your application at no extra charge. After the Permit is issued construction may begin. During construction the following inspections are required:

1. AFTER excavation--BEFORE pouring concrete.
2. Foundation--BEFORE backfill
3. Plumbing, heating and framing--BEFORE closing in framework
4. Final inspection--BEFORE Certificate of Occupancy is issued.
5. Septic system--IF required by Town (it is)
6. Electrical by NYS Board of Fire Underwriters.

These procedures must be followed by anyone who plans to build, do renovations or alterations.

Marvin Lemery is the administrator of Warren County's new department of Fire Prevention and Building Code Enforcement, and Timothy Costello, a Hague resident, is the Department's first Building Inspector. The telephone number for the County office is:

518-761-6537

IT'S TIME FOR THE CARNIVAL!

Since last month the Winter Carnival Committee reports that the weekend events for this year's Carnival have been completely organized and scheduled, and with good ice conditions reported so far on the lake, an exciting three days are promised.

Beginning with Friday's Torch Run and Torch Lighting Ceremony at 3:30 PM, and ending on Sunday afternoon with the Awards Ceremony, a full schedule is planned for this weekend. The schedule runs as follows:

Friday, February 17

3:30 PM - Torch Run and Torch Lighting Ceremony at Beach
8:00 - 12:00 PM - Youth Dance and Coronation of Queen

Saturday, February 18

7:00 - 11:00 AM - Firemen's Breakfast - Beachside
11:00 AM to finish - Snowmobile Races
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM - 10K Road Race
2:00 - 3:00 PM - Adult Tug of War
7:00 PM - Dinner Dance with "T-Bones" - Beachside

Sunday, February 19

7:00 - 11:00 AM - Firemen's Breakfast - Beachside
11:00 - Noon - 10K Cross Country Ski Race
12:00 - 2:00 PM - ATC Races
2:00 - 2:30 PM - Snow Sculpture Judging
2:30 - 3:00 PM - "Polar Bears"
3:00 - 3:30 PM - Chainsaw Competition
3:30 - 4:30 PM - NATIONAL ICE AUGER CHAMPIONSHIPS
Awards Ceremony follows at Beachside.

On both Sat. and Sun. for spectators - Children's events, horse-drawn sleigh rides, concession stand, ultralight plane exhibition, C.A.P. airplane rides, State Police Exhibitions, raffles, T-shirts, decals and patches available.

New high-lighted events this year include the 3-wheel ATC races, adult tug-of-war and snow sculpture competitions and the female polar bears. Crowd support for these fledgling events would be greatly appreciated, and participation in the tug-of-war and snow sculpture events would be most welcome.

Linda Coffin reports that there are still tickets left for the Saturday night dinner dance, but please try to contact her soon, as they are going fast.

The Committee hopes the weather will hold fair for the weekend, but if any problems do arise from any late-developing poor ice conditions, North Pond will be the alternative site for the events.

The Warren County Sheriff's Department will provide patrols for the entire weekend, and the Ambulance and fire extinguishers will be on hand should any emergency arise on the ice. The Fire Dept. is also providing fire police protection for traffic control and parking.

All in all, everything seems to be "GO" for a fun-filled, safe holiday weekend, so bring family and friends to your favorite event and have a good time. Thank you all for your support and help.

...K. Santaniello

ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

John Maul is this year's resident artist in the Ticonderoga Central School District. The Artist-in-Residence program is designed to bring the arts and artists to adults and students in the community. Mr. Maul is a sculptor but he also does drawing, photography, silkscreen, lithography, intaglio, graphic design and 3D design. He will be working with all three schools during his residency.

CORONATION

The 1984 coronation of the Hague Winter Carnival Queen will be held in conjunction with a Youth Dance scheduled from 8:00 - 12:00 PM at the Beachside Restaurant on Friday, February 17. Admission will be \$1.00, single; \$1.50 per couple.

Ballots will be cast during the dance by the contestants' peers and members of the Winter Carnival Committee, to choose the Queen and one runner-up. The Queen's escort will become the King. The following girls will appear on the ballot: Melanie Fish, JoAnn Stormer, Beth Wells, Jackie Perkins, Tammy Yaw, Bonnie Swinton, Marina Barnaby, Terri Santaniello and Jennifer DuGuay.

Youth Director, Aggie Watts, reports that the dance is "semi-formal" and all the contestants will be dressed accordingly, each carrying a bouquet of violets made by Diane Olsen.

The pageantry begins at about 9:00 PM with a parade of the girls culminating in the coronation at approximately 10:00 PM.

Last year's queen, Julie Perkins, will present the newly-chosen monarch with her crown, sash, trophies and gifts, assisted by Bob Streeter announcing for Radio Station WXTY, Ticonderoga.

Aggie says she has been especially happy with the enthusiasm the contestants have shown in participating in the contest, and confides that many of the ideas for the pageant have come from the girls themselves. She also encourages everyone to drop by during the dance to watch the activities.

K. Santaniello

LOST BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

Would anyone in the area happen to have a copy of a hard cover book entitled, HIGH CONQUEST, written by James Ramsey Ullman? Please call K. Santaniello with any leads. 543-6441

HIGHWAY HONORS

Dan Belden was featured in the January issue of PROFILE, a publication "for Highway Superintendents and Public Work Directors throughout New York State."

We were given permission by Kathryn Farrell, Account Clerk for the town of Liberty, NY Highway Dept. to print her poem from PROFILE, in honor of highway workers everywhere.

IN "HONOR" OF THE HIGHWAYMAN

It's 3 AM and you're still on the road,
Fighting the blizzard and battling the cold.

Driving blind - God only knows how,
By the hum of the diesel and the feel of the plow.

Only a few of us realize just what it takes

To challenge the ice for the taxpayers sake.

The time away from home and all that you love,

Taking as your wingman the good Lord above.

And once the storm passes and you've finished your ride.

You sit down to relax and realize with pride,

That the hill that you conquered with sand, salt and sweat

Is now open for travelers, and that's the best bonus yet!

HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY TESTS

Free tests for the N.Y. State High School Equivalency Diploma will be given at Ticonderoga High School on April 11 and 12, 1984, between the hours of 3:45 PM and 8:00 PM. Attendance on both dates is required. Application deadline is March 15. For further information, contact the Guidance Dept. at Ticonderoga High School.

TICONDEROGA HIGH SCHOOL

The second quarter has come to a close at Ticonderoga High School and report cards have been issued on the 3rd of this month. January held much excitement with a new principal taking over, basketball at its peak, bowling beginning and fire scares echoed through the halls.

A few minor fires during the week preceded the big event on Friday, January 13. Students evacuated the school to stand in the freezing cold for possibly twenty minutes. They were then moved to the gym after the fire was under control. Investigators eventually did make an arrest for the fires.

Students are now looking forward to February vacation during the week of the 13th through 17th.

...Lisa Capone

PLANNING BOARD 2/2/84

A Public Hearing was held at 7 PM on the minor sub-division of Margaret Wells' property on Split Rock Rd. The proposed lot conforms to lot size and road frontage requirements. No one voiced opinions pro or con on the proposed sub-division. At the regular meeting, immediately following the Public Hearing, the Board unanimously voted in favor of Mrs. Wells' sub-division.

The Hague joint committee on revisions to the zoning regulations received approval from the A.P.A. for most of the proposals. Minor sub-divisions no longer will require a public hearing, but one may be held at the discretion of the Board. Instead, adjacent property owners will be notified by mail of any proposed sub-division action.

...A. Craig

Real friends are those who, when you've made a fool of yourself, don't feel that you've done a permanent job. ...Anonymous

HAGUE SQUIRREL TRAVELS TO MUNICH

Christmas 1983 is one that will live on for many years for the Kuenzel family in Munich, West Germany. As a special treat for her mother in Hague, Ginger (Henry) and her husband Andreas taped the festivities. The children joined in Christmas songs and stories and when the traditional bell rang to let the children know that the Christuskind had been there (in another room) - there was great rejoicing... Presents were opened and admired. As Andreas opened his gift from me he remarked, "Oh what a nice pullover!" He decided to try it on immediately and as he took it out of the plastic bag and unfolded it, a very dead, very moldy squirrel dropped out. He made a very distasteful sound and Ginger screamed - then they both were overcome with laughter. Ginger remarked that her mother ought to know that one can't send animals in the post!

The mystery of how an Adirondack squirrel became a part of a Christmas celebration in W. Germany has not really been solved. One can only assume that the squirrel crawled deep into the warmth of the sweater (which had been on a table in a very cold room for several weeks), and died. When it was gift wrapped, the squirrel went unnoticed, although I can't imagine how! The children's reaction was simply "It stinks!"

What do we do for Christmas '84 to top this one? ...D. Henry

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 1/26/84

Due to a mix-up in communications only the newer members of the Board attended, causing the meeting to be canceled.

...According to our philosopher and publisher, FEBRUARY is SHACK WACKY month, more commonly known as Cabin Fever. That's o.k. - spring is just around the corner?

TOWN BOARD 2-14-84

A public hearing was held to amend the 1984 Revenue Sharing Budget to appropriate \$2100 from money budgeted for a computer, the money to be used to buy a new copier and typewriter.

A presentation was made by Tim Costello about the new Fire Prevention and Building code. (See p. 1) He is a member of the County Dept. responsible for the code's supervision. The new procedures and fee schedules may be seen at the Town Hall.

Our equalization rate this year is 48.9, down more than 1 point from last year.

Of the 9 resolutions submitted to the A.P.A. by Hague, 4 were denied and 5 approved.

Supervisor Bolton reported that Resolution #55 re Rt. 8 was passed by all 20 of the Warren County Supervisors. The Dept. of Transportation is checking and we are hoping for improvements.

A spring decision will be made on Head Start and we have support from Rep. Soloman and Sen. Moynihan.

The Hague Supermarket is authorized to sell snowmobile permits. These cost \$10 and the snowmobile must be insured and registered.

Our Hague ambulance has put in 6,034 miles, 1,325 man hours and made 123 runs in the past year.

Aaron Middleton reports additional leaks and many broken windows at the school. A special meeting will be set up to discuss a final decision on what is to be done with building.

Linda Coffin plans a public program on 'Crime Watch' when she has additional information.

a new ordinance proposed for the park will be presented at the special meeting.

A public meeting will be held on March 13 at 6:30 PM to discuss a resolution on anchoring of boats between Waltonian and Flirtation Islands.

Saved: \$1,642 by changing to New Matrix Health Plan for 6 months.

Resolutions supporting Forest Rangers' positions before County Board. IMPORTANT. White Gov. and all legislators.

Application for CABLE TV has been approved and lines are being laid. We can look forward to installation of our first cable service in June. ...gl

HATS OFF!

Forty to sixty percent of body heat is lost through the head and the neck, if exposed to the elements, old news to many. I suppose the Eskimos gave us the Parka. Be that as it may, the hatless population of the North Country of all ages astounds me.

One cold day as I put groceries in my car at Grand Union I met a sweet little lady in the parking lot.

"Excuse me," I ventured, "don't you feel the cold - it's rather blustery today."

"Well," she answered, "I've never worn a hat and I'm not starting now"; pleasant but determined. I looked closely - no wig.

Babushka means grandmother in Russian. One can understand that derivative. Some look chic in hats, some in warm Babushkas look like owls.

I get nervous when T.V. announcers stand hatless, gloves on. Let us hope they cover up when the cameras leave. The ski industry and whole companies devote themselves to sporty head gear as well as insulated underwear. With all the good home knitting, you'd think -- I am stopping right now - so I can don my ski mask and put the dog out...M.Bröderick

ART POTTER SCHOLARSHIP PRODUCTION

On March 3 the Knights of Columbus Hall on Montcalm St. in Ti will take on a Mardi Gras atmosphere.

This will be the occasion of the Fourth Annual Art Potter Scholarship production. Featured will be talent from the Ticonderoga area. Cocktails will be served at 6:00 PM followed by dinner and entertainment. Tickets are now on sale for \$12.50 each. Come join the fun and help swell the scholarship fund at the same time.

HAGUE WINTER CARNIVAL WITH FEATURED GUEST
MISS DOMINION OF CANADA - Friday - Sunday

1984, Sick OR-WELL, It's Here!

Hague, N.Y.
Feb. 14, 1984

The best selling book so far this year was written in 1948. Its title, NINETEEN EIGHTY FOUR, was simply the reverse of the last two numerals of the year in which the author, George Orwell (Eric Blair) completed it. Its subject seemed to prophesy a stark and dehumanized world less than 40 years after the end of World War II--now, this year, 1984! It is a novel in a nightmare, but its characters and its situations are supposed to take place in a world that might become real.

Is ORWELL'S 1984 here or near? Some writers say "yes". Most know it is not. We elect our "leaders"--local, state, Federal. In addition, powerful searchlights are turned on them - one, by the very elected men and women questioning each other; two, by a vigilant press--newspapers, magazines, television. And both searchlights turn a bright light on governments around the world.

Orwell was urging that men and women be vigilant against the seductions of Big Brother, against accepting the easy comfort of the Big Lie...of "mind pollution" thru' pornography and drugs (these were the "bread and circuses" to keep the people in 1984 from thinking clearly) of the lure of "big money", greed and power.

Orwell warns that men and women are dehumanized when they themselves trade in their human spirit...when, consciously or gradually, they surrender self-respect and respect for others. This is the lesson of Nineteen Eighty Four. It need not be a prophecy...BDeG

To love something is to give it room to grow. Never get comfortable in a rut.
...Cynthia Whiting Miller

Dear Daphne,

You wouldn't believe the change in the weather since my last letter! On the 9th it was still very cold with the wind blowing steadily from the north-east at 30 to 40 mph with gusts up to 50! The snow came down horizontally.

The next day the temperature started to climb, and since then, the days have been nearly 50 degrees and the nights just above freezing. Much of the snow on roofs has melted, and in a few places, bare ground can be seen. Lots of fog at night, but the moon occasionally peaks through. A bit like being on the moors.

The songs of birds greets me in the morning as does the sight of fishermen who have ventured out on to the puddle-pocked ice. When I stand on a pressure ridge near the shore and see blue-green water on top of the ice that's deep enough for a polar bear to jump into, I stay on shore. The snow, ice and mud seem just a little safer.

The Winter Carnival is this weekend so everybody is hoping for a few cold days to firm up the ice; after that, we'll all look forward to Spring so we can complain about the black-flies.

Love to you and all of your vacationing friends...Mama

..."The Railroad, if it goes, will cost us something. Let us profit (stet) by Murrays Sermon -- pay as we go. There is going to be no end to Taxation..."

...From a letter written by a Ticonderoga farmer, Feb. 10, 1868

SOUNDINGS

BORN - A boy, William Michael, to John and Debbie (Jordan) Ott in Moses Ludington Hospital on Jan. 15. Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. William Jordan, Hague.

BORN - A boy, David Carney, to Gary and Susan (Carney) Peiffer in Ridgewood, N.J. Hospital. Grandparents are Joyce and Bruce Carney, Sabbath Day Point.

MARRIED - Thornton B. Penfield III (Thorny) to Diane Starr, on Dec. 23, 1983 in Providence, R.I. The couple will live in New Orleans and are looking forward to summers in Silver Bay.

DIED - Joseph E. Malloy, 65, a summer resident of Indian Kettles, in West Palm Beach, FL on Dec. 12. He is survived by his wife, Edna, one daughter and two brothers.

DIED - Riley Jordan, 88, life-long resident of Hague in Glens Falls Hospital on Jan. 18. Survivors include nine sons, four daughters, 47 grandchildren, several great grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

DIED - John L. Treen, Lakeworth, FL formerly of Hague, on Jan. 20 in Lakeworth. He is survived by two sons and a daughter.

DIED - Mrs. William R. Blair (Winifred Moran), 83, on January 21 in Albany Medical Center. Surviving are her husband, two daughters and five grandchildren.

GRADUATED - Michael R. DeLarm, son of Mr. & Mrs. James DeLarm, graduated December 21, 1983 from State University College at Oswego, NY with a B.A. in Business Administration.

GRADUATED - Pvt. Andrew J. Cox has completed his 3 months training in Ft. Benning, GA. He will report to the National

Guards at Ticonderoga. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Howard Davis, Hague.

KATHI HUDAK, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Hudak is on the Dean's List with honors for the past semester at Skidmore College. Kathi is working part-time in the Admissions Office where she is giving tours to prospective students.

DAVID MARTUCCI has qualified for the Dean's List at Adirondack Community College.

DOUG LEWIS, 20, of Salisbury, VT, made the Olympic Downhill Ski Team. Doug is the nephew of Ted and Bonnie Von Wettberg of Sabbath Day Pt. and Wilmington, DE.

TICONDEROGA H.S. HONOR ROLL

Congratulations to the following students from Hague who are on the honor roll for the second quarter:

Marina Barnaby; Lisa Capone; Cheryl Cobb; Patrick Fish; Stephanie Fitzgerald; Robert Gautreau (high honors); Catherine Meola; Rudolph Meola; Janet Ross; Lana Ross; Victoria Scholten; Timothy Strum (high honors); Tammy Yaw; Stephen Young.

Love, Virginia, United States Post Office. The stamp you see with 5 LOVES on it has nothing to do with the I LOVE NEW YORK campaign, but is commemorating a small Post Office, no longer active, in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Love was a very popular place on Valentine's Day. Virginia, Jan & Feb issue

Common sense is genius dressed in working clothes.

...Ralph Waldo Emerson

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - FEBRUARY AND MARCH

FEBRUARY

- 16 Sr. Citizens Bus to G.F.
- 16 Veterans Administrator - 11:30 AM
- 17 HAGUE WINTER CARNIVAL
- 18 " " "
- 19 " " "
- 21 Board of Education - 7:30 PM
- 23 Veterans Administrator - 11:30 AM
- 23 Zoning Board - 7:30 PM
- 28 Planetarium Show - 7:30 PM - THS

MARCH

- 1 Sr. Citizens Bus to G.F.
- 1 Veterans Administrator - 11:30 AM
- 1 Planning Board - 7:30 PM
- 3 Art Potter Scholarship Production
- 6 FASNACHT DAY
- 7 ASH WEDNESDAY - Beginning of Lent
- 13 Town Board - 6:30 PM
- 20 Fish & Game Club - Town Hall - 7:30
- 20. FIRST DAY OF SPRING
- 10 CHRONICLE DEADLINE

FLASH FLASH FLASH -THE WINTER CARNIVAL COMMITTEE HAS ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT LINDY GRAY, THE CURRENT MISS DOMINION OF CANADA WILL ARRIVE IN HAGUE ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Stories are told of young Abe's deep hunger for knowledge, of his borrowing books and reading by firelight and treasuring the books till they must be returned. This included the Parson Weems' Life of Washington.

In later years Lincoln contended that he was always glad that he had read this book with seriousness; that it was better for a young boy to see Washington as an exalted figure, heroic in nature and deed--to see him as an inspiration and example as Weems portrayed him.

A story is told that during a period in 1770 George Washington went as surveyor and scout into the Ohio River territory he was visited by a venerable Indian sachem, who told how he had been mightily impressed as he observed "the young warrior of the great battle." "...I called to my young men and said, 'mark you tall and daring warrior; he hath an Indian's wisdom and his warriors fight as we do. Let your aim be certain and he dies...It was all in vain for a power mightier far than we, shielded him from harm. He cannot die in battle...Listen! The Great Spirit protects that man and guides his destinies. He will become chief of nations, and a people yet unborn will hail him as the founder of a mighty empire!'"

MISS DOMINION OF CANADA WILL BE GUEST OF HONOR AT THE WINTER CARNIVAL FROM FRIDAY THROUGH SUNDAY. YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS HER.

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