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TOWN SUPERVISOR WRITES LETTER TO TOWN RESIDENTS REGARDING REVAL

Town of Hague Supervisor Edna Frasier wrote a letter on April 20, 2023 to the residents of Hague regarding the 2023 revaluation. She summarized the content of the letter as:

Hague has conducted a 2023 revaluation (Reval) of the assessed values of all Hague property values. The intended purpose of the Reval is to fairly and equitably assign taxes throughout the entire town in accord with market value reality and it has been accomplished. All property owners have been officially notified of their 2023 assessment.

The Reval implications regarding property taxes, especially for the dominant school tax, are a separate consideration, are not yet known, and are not something we believe we have any control over at this point. Taxes are a matter of inevitable reality until we can change applicable NYS Tax law. We will provide information on what our 2023 Hague school tax rate will be as soon as it becomes available from the Ticonderoga CSD.

Click [HERE](#) to see her entire letter.



HAGUE TOWN BEACH AND PARK 2023

The Hague Boat Launch will open on May 19, 2023, the visitor center is opening on June 24th, and the lifeguards will be on duty starting June 26th.

TOWN OF HAGUE-ON-LAKE GEORGE MEMORIAL DAY

by *Maureen Cherubini*

We told you about it last month and now it's almost here — the Memorial Day Celebration on Saturday, May 27, 2023! Be there!

10 am to 4 pm: Funfest at the Hague Town Park

- 10 am - 12:30 pm — Mike's Karaoke Machine
- 10 am - 1 pm — Phil Singer, caricature artist
- 12:30 pm — Cambridge Band Live Concert
- Penelope the Clown
- Crafts, jewelry, spices, and the Senior Club's White Elephant Sale
- Games for the whole family
- A bouncy house
- A food concession by the Hague Fish & Game Club including hot dogs, burgers, and soft drinks
- Larry Henderson funnel cakes and fried Oreos



2 pm: The Memorial Day Parade on Route 8 from the community center to the town park

- Bands, floats, clowns, classic cars, and more
- Seniors of the Year Joan and Art Steitz

Prizes will be awarded for Best in Parade, Most Creative, Most Patriotic, Best Adirondack, Most Humorous, Best Youth, and Honorable Mention Adult and Youth.

4 pm: The Annual HVFD Chicken Dinner at the fire house, 4 West Hague Road

If anyone is interested in marching, having a band perform, or entering a float in the parade, please contact me, Maureen, at 518-543-6463.

The Hague Memorial Day Celebration is sponsored by the Hague Senior Citizen's Club and is sanctioned by the Town of Hague Town Board.

SENIOR CLUB NEWS

by Pat Hintze



We will be collecting things for the White Elephant Sale from now until May 24, 2023. If you have something to donate, please call Maureen Cherubini at 518-543-6463, Karen Lucas at 518-585-6855, or me, Pat Hintze, at 518-543-6502.

The Americade Senior View Café will be open Sunday, May 28th - June 4th at the Hague Visitors Center. This is one of our fundraisers for the club, so please stop by and enjoy some good food. We look forward to seeing you all. Thanks.

On May 11th, we will be heading to Lake Placid to the John Brown Farm Home followed by lunch in Lake Placid.

Our regular meeting will be on May 23rd at 1:30 pm at the community center. We will discuss the Memorial Day Parade, the White Elephant Sale, and the Senior View Café. This is a very important meeting to get all things set up as we don't have a week between events this year.

We will set up the tents and bring things down from the visitor's center for the White Elephant Sale on May 24th.

We will need a crew on Friday, May 26th to bring things from the community center to the visitor's center for the Senior View Café.

May 27th is the Memorial Day Parade, the White Elephant Sale, and the Fun Fest at the Hague Town Park and Beach, so come on out, join the fun, and make it a great day.

On May 28th, the Senior View Café will open. Hours will be 11 am - 5 pm. ❑

HVFD

by Macie Peer



In the past month, Fire has had 12 calls using 125 volunteer hours and EMS has answered three calls using ten volunteer hours.

We will be holding our annual chicken dinner at the fire station at 4 pm on May 27th after the Memorial Day Parade. Come join us! ❑



LAKE GEORGE OPEN WATER SWIM TO BE IN HAGUE AGAIN

The Lake George Open Water Swim will be Saturday, August 19, 2023. They have opened the 2.5K race to youth swimmers ages 14 - 17, provided evidence and approval is submitted from a parent/guardian or coach.

There will be 2.5K, 5K, and 10K races.

The water temperature is generally 72 - 76 degrees. There will be non-wetsuit and wetsuit categories.



The entry fee includes the swim course, refreshments, a swim cap, a t-shirt hoodie, a finisher medal, and eligibility for awards.

A comprehensive safety plan is in place that includes general land and water safety for swimmers and volunteers. Water safety includes an inner perimeter of kayaks, with an outer perimeter of motorboats, manned by volunteers, the Hague Volunteer Fire Department, the Lake George Park Commission, and other government entities either on site or on call.

To sign up, click [HERE](#). NOTE: Entry fees will go up as of May 20th. To keep up to date, click [HERE](#) or go to their Facebook page [HERE](#). ❑

TWO VIEWS ABOUT PROCELLACOR ON LOOK TV

A recent Look TV program aired interviews with Dave Wick (Executive Director of the Lake George Park Commission) and Chris Navitsky (Lake George Waterkeeper) on the issue of using ProcellaCOR in Lake George to combat invasive Eurasian milfoil. Click [HERE](#) to watch the video. ❑

LGCL DISCOVERY SERIES: LAKE GEORGE ECOLOGY

Join the Lake George Land Conservancy on May 20, 2023 at 8:30 am for a hike up Thomas Mountain in Bolton with a naturalist, who will talk about the plants and animals of the area.



Learn about Lake George and its surrounding watersheds while enjoying the spectacular views of the south and central basins and the southwestern Adirondacks.

This hike is rated moderate and includes a gradual, but steady, ascent and is three miles in length. Click [HERE](#) for more information. ❑

NEW DIRECTOR OF MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS AT THE LGA

The Lake George Association (LGA) welcomes Nancy Hawley as its new director of marketing and communications. A graduate of Lake George High School, she has an extensive background in digital marketing and, most recently, served as a content consultant for several high-profile brands.



"I'm excited to use my decades of marketing and communications expertise to help people, particularly property owners, understand how urgent it is that we protect Lake George from escalating threats like harmful algal blooms and the hemlock woolly adelgid invasive insect," Nancy said. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about Nancy. ▣

LGA SUMMER GALA TICKETS ON SALE

Tickets are now on sale for the Lake George Association's Summer Gala. This year's event will be held on Friday, July 14, 2023 at The Sagamore in Bolton. Click [HERE](#) for more information or to purchase your tickets. ▣

LGA BOOKMARK DESIGN CONTEST

The Lake George Association is accepting entries for its 15th Annual Lake George Bookmark Design Contest. The theme this year is "Becoming a Lake Protector."

The winning bookmark will be printed and distributed to participating schools. The contest is open to students in grades four through twelve who attend public, private or home schools in the watershed, including Lake George, Bolton, Hague, Ticonderoga, Putnam, Dresden, Fort Ann, Queensbury, Horicon, Lake Luzerne and Warrensburg. The entry deadline is May 12th.

Click [HERE](#) for the entry form. ▣

STAYING SAFE FROM TICKS

by Ginger Henry Kuenzel

Tick diseases (Lyme, anaplasmosis, and others) have become endemic in our region. Climate change has enabled ticks to survive in areas further north than in the past. The New York State Department of Health has a helpful website with [information on ticks](#). There you can find out about Lyme disease, how to prevent it and what the symptoms are. You'll also learn how to remove a tick on your body and how to create a tick-free zone around your house. Some tips for avoiding ticks include: Wear light-colored clothing to spot ticks easily; wear enclosed shoes, long pants, and a long-sleeved shirt; tuck pant legs into socks or boots and shirts into pants; consider using insect repellent; stay on cleared, well-traveled trails and walk in the center of trails; and avoid dense woods and bushy areas.

As a kind of public service announcement, I want to share a very scary experience I had with tickborne diseases a few years ago. I had been feeling extremely dizzy and weak for three days, and a concerned friend offered to drive me to Urgent Care. The doctor there quickly discerned that my blood pressure and heart rate were dangerously low and ordered an ambulance to take me to the ER in Glens Falls, telling me I was in danger

of suffering a stroke. After stabilizing me and prescribing heart medication, the doctors in the ER sent me home and told me to see a cardiologist the next day. Unable to detect anything that would have caused the drastic drop in my heart rate and blood pressure, he prescribed more medication.

When I was still feeling dizzy and weak several days later, I decided to return to Urgent Care. A wise nurse practitioner there ordered a panel of blood tests for tickborne diseases. Because I was not experiencing any of the common symptoms of these diseases and there was no evidence of a bite, the doctors initially did not test for these. The NP, however, said that, with the increasing incidence of these diseases in our area, she always orders these tests when there is any doubt about the cause of an illness.

A few days later, I received a call from Urgent Care telling me to stop taking the heart medication and immediately pick up prescriptions they had called into the pharmacy. The blood tests had detected that I had severe cases of Lyme, anaplasmosis, and babesiosis, the latter a malaria-like disease caused by a parasite. Anaplasmosis and Lyme are treated with the antibiotic Doxycycline, which I had to stay on for seven weeks. During this time, I had lots of time to read up on tickborne diseases since you must avoid any and

all sun exposure while on this drug. This was almost a worse punishment than the diseases – imagine having to stay inside during July and August on Lake George! Babesiosis is treated with a combination of two other antibiotics that are also used to treat malaria. By the way, once you've had babesiosis, you can never again donate blood since the disease apparently remains dormant in your blood and can be transmitted to others through a blood transfusion.

My experience has put a healthy fear into me about ticks. The lesson learned is to check frequently for ticks and hope that I can see one before it infects me. That is no easy feat since these tiny critters are often no larger than the size of a poppy seed. Also, if I start feeling dizzy or weak from a drop in blood pressure, or if I'm sick with no apparent cause, I now know to head to the doctor's office and get myself checked out. Just one undetected bite can send an otherwise healthy individual into a downward spiral that can be life threatening if not properly treated. On the other hand, Doxycycline is something of a miracle drug. If you take it soon after being bitten, it seems to miraculously prevent Lyme and anaplasmosis.

Click [HERE](#) for more information from the Centers for Disease Control about tickborne illnesses. ▣

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 3/23/2023

Chairman Robert Goetsch and Board Members Jon Hanna, Ray Snyder, Chris Navitsky, and Alternate Cathy Clark were present. Linda Mury was absent. Also present was ZEO Matthew Magee.

WILSON/DAVIS (93.12-1-11) 7930 Lakeshore Drive (TR1)

The applicants are requesting the total replacement of a non-conforming structure requiring two variances: greater than 30% lot coverage and greater than 25% increase in square footage.

A public hearing was held with no one speaking for or against.

The applicants' engineer and architect reviewed the proposed project change options based on recommendations from the planning board. The engineer and the architect will propose the following changes to the applicant and will present the resulting revisions at the April ZBA meeting:

- Basement access to be utility doors with high glass or floor access doors
- Smaller and higher cellar windows
- The entire structure to be dropped a few feet and moved back a few feet to reduce the impact on the neighbors' lake views
- The percent lot coverage to be no more than the existing lot coverage
- No structures in the easement

The board reiterated that a storm water plan would be required along with a pressure test on recently-installed lines from the septic tank to the shared leach field to ensure there is no septic line damage from construction.

The following motions were made and passed unanimously:

- The application is to be tabled until the next ZBA meeting.
- The public hearing is to be reopened at the next ZBA meeting.
- The deeming of the application as complete in a previous meeting was rescinded due to the recent changes. ▣

TOWN BOARD - 4/11/2023

Present: Supervisor Edna Frasier and Board Members Jack Bast, Joshua Patchett, and Maureen Cherubini. Absent was Board Member Steve Ramant.

Also present: Deputy Highway Superintendent Matt Coffin, Assessor David Martucci and Assessor Clerk Amanda Peterson, Peter and Peggy Carney, Joe and Debbie Michela, Donna Trudeau, Pat Hinze, Walt Lender,

Daniel Anderson, Caroline Mossip, Tim and Mertie Klingler, Alice Patchett, Walter Peterson, Linda Baker, Mary Lou Doulin, Tom Girard, and Dan Anderson.

NOTE: The planned Zoom session could not be conducted because the internet system in the community center was disabled.

The Moment of Silence was held for Peter Denno.

WELCOME GUESTS/PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

On March 24, 2023, the Town of Hague received notification that the Silver Bay Association (SBA) is:

- Applying to the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) for a Retail Class Change to go from a Catering Wine License to a Hotel Liquor License.
- Filing a Retail Class Change and Removal Application to change the Tavern Wine License to a Tavern Liquor License.
- Moving the primary site of that license to another building on the SBA's campus.

Lender explained that this application was to facilitate the request for other alcoholic beverages to be available during special events such as weddings. He stated this will not violate any of the not-for-profit guidelines at SBA. He added there are no plans to add a liquor store; it is SBA's intention to remain family oriented.

Martucci reviewed last month's town board meeting information, including the possible school tax changes.

Frasier and Martucci strongly urge the community to go to the Ticonderoga Central School District School Board meetings, the public hearing on May 9th at 6 pm, and to vote on the budget on May 16th from noon to 8 pm in Ti or at the Hague Community Center. If Hague voters haven't already registered to vote in the budget election, they can do so on May 9th from noon - 4 pm at the community center.

The Town of Hague has no say regarding the percentage or amount of taxes Hague pays to the school; these guidelines come from the State of NY.

Many audience members voiced concerns and asked questions.

- Guests asked the town to communicate better
- Can the Reval go the other way if the economy goes down? Yes, it could change 5 - 10% if a trend is seen over a two-year period.
- People expressed concern about the changes within the town. The board was asked to plan for where the town is going and how it can be protected.
- The construction of upscale homes reflects on the total town assessment; more restriction is needed.
- The board should approach law professionals in Hague to create an alliance to go to the state to see what can be done about the school tax situation.
- The question was raised as to why the boat docks on the east side of Lake George are not part of the Hague assessment roll when they are technically within the Hague boundaries.

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TOWN BOARD, CONTINUED

Patchett thanked Martucci and Peterson for their hard work. He stated that he was concerned:

- Vacant lands are not showing any change in value.
- What is the Reval going to mean for the town going forward?
- If the Reval is reversible.
- The increase the town will see in sales tax due to the Reval is not needed.

Patchett made the following motion, which was passed:

The Town of Hague will commit an amount not to exceed \$2,000 to have a special review of the Reval by an attorney and what the town's options are regarding its implementation, to be completed by the 20th of April 2023.

REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Insurance/Recreation & Promotion: The town's health insurance will be increasing.

Buildings & Grounds: Patchett will look at the walkway along the boat launch to see what can be done to fix the boards that need work.

Highway: Wardsboro Road has reopened. The department is cleaning up from the winter.

Museum/Historian: The museum will display an exhibit about Arcady Bay.

Planning/Zoning/Storm Water: The zoning report was reviewed.

Sewer District #1 & #2: The town has satisfactorily responded to the NYSDEC Notification of Violation pertaining to the 2/21/2023 sewer leakage and the matter is closed.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

A motion was passed that the town has no objection to the Silver Bay Association applying for a Hotel Liquor License.

NEW BUSINESS

Frasier asked the board members to review the information they received regarding the Resolution Against Passage of Conservation Subdivision Design Bill A04608. She said the board will act on it at the May 2023 town board meeting. ▣

PLANNING BOARD - 4/6/2023

Deputy Chairman Pam Peterson and Board Member Judy Gourley were present. Sandy Powell was present on video chat. Chairman Dick Frasier and Meg Haskell were absent. Also present were ZEO Matthew Magee and Recording Secretary Cathy Clark.

ASIEL (60.9-1-46) 20 Bobkat Lane (TR-1)

The applicants propose constructing a screened porch over their existing deck. The house and deck were constructed on this lot in 1981. The original application was approved stating all components of the structures were to be 50' from the MHW of Lake George. A new survey has found a small, long, and narrow portion of the existing deck to be within the 50-foot shoreline setback. The total area within the setback is approximately 75 sq. ft. The proposed project will not make the deck more nonconforming. The applicants are requesting a shoreline setback variance for the 42-year-old miscalculation. A letter from the Arcady Bay Estates Homeowners Association was read indicating their approval of the proposed screened porch. A site visit was set.

INGREY (60.5-1-14) 31 Pine Cove Road (TR1)

The applicants propose constructing a second story addition and a new first floor entry addition to an existing house. The second story addition (781 sq. ft.) and the new first floor entry addition (80 sq. ft.) make for an 861 sq. ft. increase in living space beyond the current, which translates to a 55.9% increase. The zoning issues are new construction within 100 feet of the lake, a proposed living space increase of more than 25%, and more than 30% lot coverage. Peterson recused herself due to jointly owning a nearby property. As result, a quorum could not be met. The application was tabled until the next meeting on May 4th.

MCLOUGHLIN (76.8-1-6.2) 252 Silver Bay Road (HS-R) VAR 02-21

The owners are requesting a two-year extension of their May 6, 2021 Site Plan Approval.

See the August 2021 edition of *The Hague Chronicle* for details.

The two-year extension was unanimously approved with all original conditions. ▣

MEETING ABOUT TI CSD BUDGET AT THE HAGUE COMMUNITY CENTER

There will be a community forum at the Hague Community Center on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 from 3 – 5 pm

for the purpose of discussing this year's Ticonderoga Central School District budget. As the amount of the approved budget will determine the amount of the tax burden for each resident of Hague, this is expected to be an important and informative meeting. ▣

THE HAGUE CHRONICLE NEWS:

Please send all news items to Editor Bobbi Bryant Taylor at: editor@thehaguechronicle.org.

SOUNDINGS



DIED: Peter B. Denno, 63, of Ticonderoga and formerly of Hague, on Friday, March 17, 2023 after a long battle with cancer at his home in Ticonderoga.

Peter was born on November 28, 1959, the tenth of 15 children of Bernard and Anna (Robbins) Denno of Hague.

He grew up and attended school in Hague.

He moved to Texas in the mid 70s, where he lived for 30 years and started his family.

He worked mainly in heavy construction and concrete work. He moved back to New York in 2006 and worked many different jobs.

Peter was always willing to help his neighbors and family, whether it was mowing a lawn or fixing things in "Pete's Garage." He loved to hunt with his brothers, brothers-in-law, and friends. He also loved to fish, camp, and ride motorcycles with family. His easy-going nature and engaging way endeared him to his family, friends, babies, and animals alike.

He was pre-deceased by his: parents, Bernard and Anna Denno; two brothers, Robert and Joseph Denno; and two

sisters, Barbara (Denno) Tyler and Marie (Denno) Murray.

He is survived by his: son Levi (Crystal) Denno and grandson Deacon; daughter, Brittany (Matt) Denno; wife, Frances Denno; step-daughter, Andrea (Garrett) Kelley and step-grandson Liam; three brothers, Bernard (Veronica) Denno, Ralph (Heather) Denno, and Thomas (Michele) Denno; seven sisters, Pamela Denno, Debra Denno, Michele (Tim) Gautreau, Mary Ann (Ken) Osier, Theresa (Joe) Gagliardi, Bernadette (Mike) Fish, and Maureen (Wade) Stevens; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

To remember Pete, please be kind, "shoot straight," "cast long," and always help a friend along. ❑

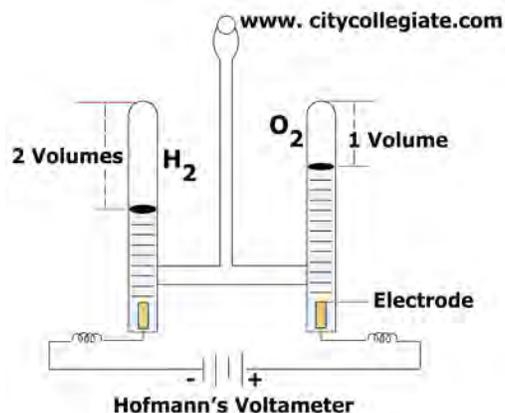
HYDROGEN AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO FOSSIL FUELS

by Linda Fusco, Ph.D.

Since the mid-1970s, engineers and entrepreneurs have dabbled with the development of hydrogen-powered vehicles. For example, a 2021 Toyota Prius that runs on a hydrogen fuel cell was featured in "Hydrogen Hustle" in the April 15, 2023 issue of *The Post Star*. (You can read more [HERE](#)). There are many variations on hydrogen fuel cells. We should all keep a close watch on the developing hydrogen production industry.

Hydrogen has always been used to fuel rockets for space travel. Cylinders of liquid hydrogen and liquid oxygen are strapped to the rocket, ignited, and then the rocket lifts off. All works well if there are no leaks in the tanks, such as happened in the January 28, 1986 *Challenger* disaster.

I taught secondary science courses for over three decades and demonstrations were key to my instruction. For example, to show the 2:1 ratio of hydrogen atoms to oxygen atoms in water, I always set up a Hoffman apparatus (see diagram), which passed electric current through water, a process called electrolysis. The water was broken down so that at the positive terminal, hydrogen was produced and at the negative terminal, oxygen was produced. Using an electric current to disassociate water is the process used in hydrogen fuel cells. The hydrogen is then ignited in the engine just like a fossil fuel, but with no carbon emissions.



It seems simple, but the technology is complicated and in its infancy. Why is this an important concept? There is continuing development of the hydrogen fuel cell to power our vehicles such as cars, farm equipment, buses, boats, trucks, planes, trains, etc.

The goal of today's energy industries is to produce "green hydrogen," that is, hydrogen produced by renewable resources such as solar, wind, and hydroelectric power. There are also other methods of producing hydrogen, such as extracting hydrogen from methane gas, which is not "green."

When hydrogen burns, it produces water, zero carbon emissions, and very few adverse impacts on the environment. And hydrogen-fueled engines are very quiet. Plus, hydrogen is very powerful - so powerful that it's the only fuel used for launching rockets into space.

There are always naysayers who keep the developers accountable. Scientists are always looking for a better, cleaner solution.

Looking into the future, just imagine powering your boat with hydrogen that is produced on your property using solar power and water from Lake George!

I'm not an engineer, but I can say that there is a lot yet to research and develop. Perhaps STEM students might be interested in visiting AIR Products, which is a hydrogen facility that is being planned in Massena, NY.

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HYDROGEN FUEL, CONTINUED

Here are some links to learn more about hydrogen as a viable fuel for the future:

- To watch a YouTube video on a prototype of a hydrogen cell, click [HERE](#).
- For information on the pros and cons of hydrogen fuel cells, click [HERE](#).
- For information from MIT that might be of interest to future engineers, click [HERE](#).
- For information about the investors of Messena NY AIR Products, click [HERE](#).

Feel free to email me at lindafuscophd@gmail.com. ❏

ANTIQUES ROADSHOW TO FEATURE HAGUE RESIDENT

Enid Engler of Hague is scheduled to appear on Antiques Roadshow on May 1, 2023, which airs on PBS at 8 pm. The show was taped some time ago at Shelburne Museum in Vermont. When we spoke with Enid, she was staying mum about her appearance on the show, but said she is very excited about being able to watch it. Enid and her treasure were selected from among thousands who applied to be on the show. ❏

MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND AT SILVER BAY

Silver Bay wants to help the residents of Hague and visitors to the area to celebrate their mothers on Mother's Day weekend, which is May 13 and 14, 2023. There will be programming on the campus for all ages, including a kid's craft activity, where the children can make Mother's Day cards.

While the kids are taking part in their programming, there will be activities such as spa services, a charcuterie board-making event, paint and sip for those over 21, and family photo sessions for parents for extra fees. Click [HERE](#) to view a full list of activities.

A special event this year is the Mother's Day Brunch, which will feature pastries, a cold display, an eggs-made-to-order station, a carving station, and more. To make reservations for the brunch, email or call the food service team by Sunday, May 7th at foodservice@silverbay.org or 518-543-8480.

Accommodations are available for overnight stays or day passes are available. To make an overnight reservation, email or call the reservations team at reservations@silverbay.org or 518-543-8415. Day passes can be purchased on the day of the event at the front desk in the historic inn. ❏

SEEKING VENDORS FOR TICONDEROGA STREETFEST

The Ticonderoga StreetFest Committee is registering merchants and vendors for the July 2023 event. Those who are interested in participating should fill out a Merchant/Vendor application at www.timainstreet.org, www.ticonderogany.com, or at the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce office or call 518-585-6619 for more information.



Vendors including downtown merchants, area businesses, retail stores, restaurants, food vendors, non-profits, artisans, farmers, arts and craft vendors, and vendors with local hand-crafted products are encouraged to participate. The 2023 Vendor Fee is \$40 before June 5, 2023, and \$50 thereafter. Space is limited and is on a first-come, first-served basis. ❏

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND AT SILVER BAY

This Memorial Day Weekend, May 27, 28, and 29, 2023, there will be a jam-packed schedule at Silver Bay that includes an outdoor family movie night on their new blow up screen, a community concert followed by fireworks, and a community picnic that will feature a corn hole tournament, face painting, and more.

On Monday, there will be a Memorial Day salute at the flagpole.

Guests may make reservations to stay on campus for the weekend by emailing the reservations team at reservations@silverbay.org or by calling 518-543-8415. Meals are included with overnight stays.

Day passes are available for purchase at the front desk in the historic inn. Meal tickets can be purchased for those buying day passes.

Veterans receive a 20% discount on their stays and access to the community picnic is free for them.

For a full list of events, click [HERE](#). ❏

THE NEW SILVER BAY YMCA STORE

Open to the public, the Silver Bay Association YMCA Store and Gift Shop will now be open year round.

During May, the store will be open Wednesdays from 8 am to 4 pm, Thursdays and Fridays from 1 pm to 9 pm, and Saturdays and Sundays from 8 am to 4 pm. As the summer progresses, the hours will be 8 am to 10 pm daily.

The store underwent many changes during the winter months, adding fun summer apparel, warm winter apparel, and other goods. The store now sells sweatshirts, t-shirts, toys, games, and books in addition to what they've always carried: pizzas, ice cream cones and sundaes, sodas, and other items from the fountain.

There will be evening music and trivia events and gatherings both inside and on the outside patio. Click [HERE](#) to access the gift shop online. ❏

LOOKING BACK

THE CREATION OF THE M/V TICONDEROGA

by William G. Dolback, president of the Ticonderoga Historical Society



The World War II U.S. Navy vessel LSI 1085 was purchased in the late 1940s by the Lake George Steamboat Company so that it could be converted into a cruise ship, the "Ticonderoga," to sail on the waters of Lake George.

In its route to its final destination, it sailed up



A work in progress – The M/V Ticonderoga at Homelands on Baldwin Road in Ticonderoga courtesy of the Ticonderoga Historical Society Archives

the Hudson River through the Lake Champlain Canal into Lake Champlain landing at the Larabee's Point ferry landing near Fort Ticonderoga in late 1949. There it was dismantled and cut into three sections.

The 168-foot-long ship sections were then portaged overland about eight miles to the Homelands site on Lake George in March 1950.

It was then reassembled and converted to its new design.

From there, it was relaunched and moved the short distance to the company's marine dry dock at Coates Point for its final completion.

It set sail from there in September, 1950. ▣

NEW BUSINESSES OPENING IN TICONDEROGA

A grand opening and ribbon cutting celebration will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2023, from 4:30 – 6 pm to celebrate two new businesses located at 106 Montcalm Street in Ticonderoga: the Small Town Boutique and the Dolly & the bean Consignment Shop.

For more information on the two shops, visit their Facebook pages or stop in to see what they have to offer. For more information on the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Celebration, visit [Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce \(TACC\)](#) or call 518-585-6619. You can also check out the TACC Facebook page. ▣



Pictured from left to right at their soft opening day are Jaimee Kuhl, Small Town Boutique and Megan Bambara, Dolly & the bean.

TI ARTS GALLERY SHOWS IN MAY

The Ti Arts Gallery will host two art shows in May 2023:

- **Works by Ticonderoga High School and Middle School students** — From now until May 13th
- **Works by the Upper Hudson Valley Watercolor Society** — May 17th - June 10th, with the opening reception May 19th from 5-7 pm

The Ti Arts Gallery is located at 119 Montcalm Street in Ticonderoga. Gallery hours are Thursday - Saturday 10 am – 4 pm. For more information, visit ticonderogaarts.org. ▣

FREE MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS EVENTS AT TI HOSPITAL

The University of Vermont Health Network - Elizabethtown Community Hospital will host a free Mental Health and Wellness Fair from 2 - 4 pm on Wednesday, May 3, 2023 on the Ticonderoga Hospital campus.

More than a dozen local health and wellness agencies will be on hand to showcase the programs and services working to keep the community healthy.

For more information on the mental health and wellness events, call 518-585-3761. ▣

The Hague Chronicle is happy to publish announcements of births, marriages, graduations, anniversaries of 50/55/60/65+, awards, or deaths.

We will now include a high quality photo for publication in Soundings.

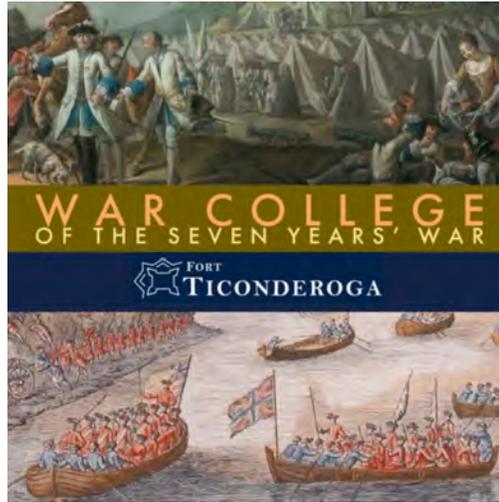
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FORT TICONDEROGA'S ANNUAL WAR COLLEGE

Fort Ticonderoga's [27th Annual War College of the Seven Years' War](#) will take place May 19-21, 2023.

Participants can attend online through Fort Ticonderoga's Center for Digital History or in person. Since its beginning in 1996, the War College has become a top venue for historians on subjects related to the Seven Years' War in North America and beyond, drawing speakers and participants from across North America and Europe.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.



TICONDEROGA ELKS LODGE FUNDRAISER

The Elks will hold a fundraiser on May 6 at 5 pm at their lodge, located at 5 Tower Avenue in Ticonderoga.

Tickets cost \$100 and include dinner for two and a chance to win large cash prizes. Only 200 tickets will be sold. Doors open at 5, dinner will be served at 6 and the winning numbers will be picked at 7. You do not need to be present to win. All proceeds will benefit the Elks Lodge and Stanley Field Maintenance Fund.

For more information, call the Ticonderoga Elks Lodge at 518-585-2277 or click [HERE](#).

TACC 2023 FUNDRAISER

The Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC) will hold its annual fundraiser dinner and auction on Friday, June 9, 2023, at The Barn at Lord Howe Valley. The theme of this year's event is "SHIPWRECKED."

For more information about sponsorship opportunities and tickets, click [HERE](#).

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FORT TICONDEROGA OPENS FOR THE SEASON

Fort Ticonderoga will open for the 2023 season on May 6th, debuting a new chapter in its history. Visitors will experience 1760 and see how British soldiers and American provincials ensured military dominance on Lake Champlain and deep into the heart of French Canada.

A special exhibit this year will be *Underwater Ticonderoga from the King's Shipyard*. After capturing Fort Carillon in July 1759, the British quickly established a shipyard at the newly named Ticonderoga to counter French naval presence on Lake Champlain.

Visitors can also ply the waters of Lake Champlain aboard the fort's cruise boat, the *Carillon*.

Other sites within the fort are the King's Garden, as well as a new garden designed especially for children.

At the Victory Garden, guests will learn how British soldiers enjoyed the taste of success.

Visitors can also pay a visit to the heritage breed animals, including the oxen duo, Mick and Mack.

Fort Ticonderoga and Mount Defiance, which is a site overlooking the fort, will be open Tuesday - Sunday May 6th through October 29th, from 10 am - 5 pm.

For more information, click [HERE](#).



MASON/STAR DINNER

A roast turkey breast dinner, sponsored jointly by the members of Mount Defiance Lodge No. 794, F. & A.M. and Fort Ticonderoga Chapter No. 263, Order of the Eastern Star, will be served Friday, May 26, 2023, from 4:30 pm at the Ticonderoga Masonic Temple, 10 Montcalm Street in Ticonderoga. Take-outs will also be available.

Tickets will be sold at the door for \$12 for adults and \$8 for children 12 and under.

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CALENDAR

May 2023

MAY

1		The May issue of <i>The Hague Chronicle</i> will be published	12		Deadline for the LGA bookmark contest
1 - 13		Ti High and Middle School Art Show at Ti Arts	13 - 14		Mother's Day Weekend at Silver Bay
1	8 pm	Enid Engler on Antiques Roadshow	14		MOTHER'S DAY
2	3 - 5 pm	Forum on the Ticonderoga CSD Budget at the Hague Community Center	16	12 - 8 pm	Vote on Ti CSD budget in Ti or Hague Community Center
3	2 - 4 pm	Mental Health and Wellness at Ti Hospital	17 - 6/10		Upper Hudson Valley Watercolor Show at Ti Arts
4	4:30 - 6 pm	Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting at Small Town Boutique and Dolly and the bean consignment shop	19		Hague Boat Launch opens
	7 pm	Planning Board Meeting	19 - 21		Ft. Ti's War College
6		Ft. Ti opens for the season	20	8:30 am 6 pm	LGEC program on LG Ecology Deadline for the June issue of <i>The Hague Chronicle</i>
	5 pm	Ti Elks Lodge Fundraiser	23	1:30 pm	Senior Club Meeting
9	12 - 4 pm	Register to vote on the Ti CSD budget at the Hague Community Center	25	7 pm	Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting
9	6 pm 6 pm	Ti CSD public hearing at Ti Hi auditorium Town Board Meeting	26	4:30 pm	Mason/Star Dinner
			27		Memorial Day Celebration in Hague
			27 - 28		Memorial Day Weekend at Silver Bay
			28		Americade Senior View Café opens
			29		MEMORIAL DAY

TRANSFER STATION HOURS: Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm