

The Castletonian

Village of Castleton on Hudson

December 2011

Holiday News!

"Holidays on the Hudson" will be held in Castleton on Sunday, December 4th, at the Village Hall, beginning at 3:00 PM with Story Time and Caroling. Santa will arrive at 4:00 PM. Hot Dogs and refreshments will be provided by the Castleton Fire Department.

The **House Decorating Contest** will be judged on Sunday, December 18th after 7:00 PM.



Village Hall Cleanup

On a Saturday in October some Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and other volunteers cleaned and winterized the gardens around the Village Hall/Castleton Public Library. The Scouts earned Community Service time towards their Community Service Badges. These Scouts and volunteers took time out of their day to help improve their community.

Girl Scouts: Lexi Contento, Tara Smith & Madeleine Ehlers. *Cub Scout:* Peter Basile

Other volunteers included Allison Contento, Pam Smith, Andy Basile, Allison Basile, Kim Ehlers, Maria Eastwood and Andrea Demick.

The Castleton-In-Bloom group who organized the event received a \$50.00 grant from Walmart which provided lunch for all those that helped with the cleanup.

Great job everyone!

Leaf Pickup

Curbside leaf pickup for Village residents continues until December 2, 2011. Leaves may be raked to the curb or put in biodegradable bags. Please do not rake leaves into the street. This creates a hazard when cars or buses have to drive around your piles and we need to keep the storm drains clear.

Recycling Update

We had some issues with our trash hauler and recyclables but we think all the issues have been solved. The trash hauler is now using a recycling truck to manage all the recyclables and our DPW crew has an extra day to work on our roads.

Let us know how we're doing. You can send an email to the Mayor at clerk@nycap.rr.com.

Castleton Public Library

Have you seen the new drop box out front? Yep, drop off your books or videos anytime and we'll take it from there.

Please don't put book donations into the drop box though. These can be dropped off in the lobby of Village Hall. A bag or two is great. If you have boxes and boxes give the librarian a call to make drop off arrangements. While we



appreciate all donations we can only accommodate a certain amount due to space limitations.

Library Hours

Monday-Wednesday:
12PM-8PM

Thursday-Friday:
10AM-6PM

Saturday:
10AM-4PM

Sunday:
closed

Friends of the Library

Thanks to everyone who helped out at the Barnes and Noble event last Saturday. There are still many wonderful raffle opportunities that will be available from Tuesday, November 22nd—December 19th down at the Library. It is \$1/chance. All raffles will be drawn on December 19th.



Get Ready for Winter!

SNOW EMERGENCY POLICY – In a snow emergency, we have slightly different parking rules for Main Street (all of 9J) and the rest of the Village. For Main Street we ask that while it is snowing you park on the east side of the street (the Stewart's side). And once the snow stops that you move to the west side. For everyone else in the village we use the odd/even system so that the plows don't have to zig-zag in and out of parked cars on both sides of the street. On odd days we ask that you NOT park on the odd side of the street. On even days we ask that you NOT park on the even side of the street. If you live at a dead end we ask that you not use that space for parking so the plows can push the snow to the end of the street.

Also, during a snow emergency there is NO parking on any of the hills in the village. This includes Stimpson Avenue, Green Avenue, Scott Avenue and Seaman Avenue. If you do not have a driveway you can park at one of the following locations:

Sacred Heart Church on Stimpson Avenue

Trinity Lutheran Church on Green Avenue

Either of the two Village-owned parking lots of Main Street. One is across from the post office next to the auto repair shop and one is next to Mahar's. You can also park behind the fire house.

We Say Goodbye to...

George W. Dieckelmann, age 86, passed away Sunday, November 20, 2011. George was a life member of the Castleton Fire Company, past president of the Castleton Kiwanis Club, a Nobel Grand of IOOF and a deacon and Elder at Emmanuel Reformed Church. He was also the Mayor of the village of Castleton on Hudson for 8 years.

John J. Hanson Sr., age 82, passed away Friday, October

7, 2011. John resided in Castleton most of his life. He was the owner of Soil and Material Testing in Castleton.

Kristina H. Doran, age 34, of Castleton, died on Saturday, October 8, 2011.

Raymond J. Gelineau, age 74, of Castleton, died Monday, September 26, 2011

Kay S. Koss, age 87, died November 2, 2011. Kay lived in Castleton for more than 60 years before retiring to Florida.

Ronald D. Poirier, age 52, of Castleton, passed away Saturday, October 29, 2011.

Gertrude Poznanski, age 86, passed away peacefully on November 20, 2011.

New Sidewalk Clearing Policy

The Board revised an existing sidewalk law to now include language that home-owners with sidewalks on their property are responsible for keeping those sidewalks clear of snow and ice.



This law has been on the books for years but didn't specifically mention snow and ice.

**Don't forget:
Breakfast at the
Castleton Fire-
house is the 1st
Sunday of every
month.**

Elementary School Parking

There are some new painted curbs and "No parking here to corner" signs posted around the elementary school. There is also no parking after school hours in the drop off lane at the school. Cars parked in the drop off lane after hours can

be ticketed and towed. This is a fire lane and needs to be kept clear.

Thanks for your cooperation.



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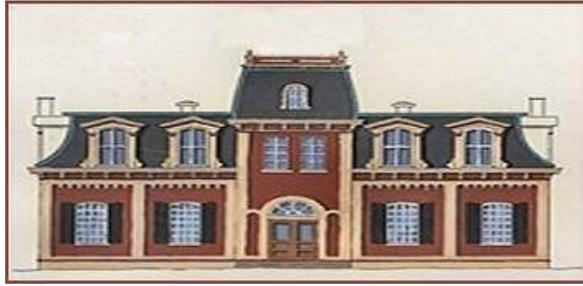
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WWW.CASTLETON-ON-HUDSON.ORG

ROBOCALLS

Are you on the list to receive robocalls from Mayor Joe Keegan? If not, give the Village Clerk a call to add your name. A recent call alerted residents about a boil water alert, but there have also been calls regarding changes to trash pickup, snow emergencies and power outages.

We can also call multiple numbers to leave the messages. So if there's a senior in the village that wants another family member to also receive a call, we can do that, no problem.

STREETLIGHTS

Give the Village clerk a call at 732-2211 if you notice a streetlight is out.

NEED A NOTARY?

We have two notaries at Village Hall. Whenever our doors are open there will be a notary available. No charge for these services (part of the service we provide to our residents).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

-A couple of trustees for the Library board. Can live in the Town or the Village.

-Help with distributing *The Castletonian*.

-Writers to help write *The Castletonian*.

(This would be great experience to list on a college resume!)

-Zoning board member opening. Must be a Village resident.

-Volunteers to help with the Castleton Village picnic this summer.

Drop the clerk an email if you're interested:
clerk@nycap.rr.com