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Clove Run

Thank you to everyone who helped coordinate this year's annual Clove Run. Donations and race registrations help support the Anchor, a food pantry in Castleton that assists the area's lowest-income families. Last year's race resulted in a donation of \$5,500 to the Anchor.

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The Castletonian

Save the Dates!

☼ The first annual *Castleton Village PotLuck Picnic* will be held Sunday, September 16th from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at Castleton Elementary School. Bring your own lawn chairs, a blanket, your own lunch and a dessert to share (brownies, cookies, cupcakes, whatever). Please, no pets. We'll have a band, games for kids and fun for seniors. This is a great opportunity to meet neighbors, listen to some music and enjoy our village.

☼ The *Village-wide Garage Sale* takes place on Saturday, September 15th.

☼ *Fall Clean-up Day* for village residents will be on Saturday, September 22nd.



Flag Day at Castleton Elementary School.

Castleton Cemetery History

The Castleton Cemetery Association is a non-denominational, volunteer organization controlled by a board of twelve trustees, who meet at 7:00 PM on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall, 105 Scott Avenue.

The Association operates Mountain View Cemetery at 46 Scott Avenue in the village and Horizon View Cemetery at 1375 Brookview Road in the Town of Schodack. The Association affairs are regulated by the New York State Ceme-

tery Board, which is part of the Department of State.

Mountain View has space for over 7,000 burials and has approximately 4,500 interments, over ten acres. There are over 230 Veterans buried from the Spanish American War (3), Civil War (18) and many veterans who served WWI and WW2 in all branches of the service.

Horizon View has space developed for over 1,030 burials and has approximately

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255 internments, however only four of the 14 acres have been developed so far. 35 veterans have been buried.

Notables Buried in Mountain View Cemetery:

James Lawrence Hogeboom, born in Ghent, Columbia County, N.Y., August 25, 1766; moved to Pittstown, Rensselaer County, N.Y., in 1794; moved to Castleton, N.Y., in April 1802; was merchant; member of the State assembly in 1804, 1805, and 1808; judge of Rensse-

laer County 1805-1808; member of the State constitutional convention in 1821; elected to the Eighteenth Congress (March 4, 1823-March 3, 1825); engaged in the mercantile business; died in Castleton, N.Y., December 23, 1839; interment in Castleton Cemetery.

The oldest inscription on a headstone in Mountain View Cemetery is Jeremiah Gage 7/1/1811

The Association encourages visitors and walkers to visit the cemetery proper-

ties from dawn to dusk and ask that people respect the nature of the cemetery while visiting and clean up after their dogs.

For information on where people are buried in either cemetery contact Norman Wiley at 732-4592 or nwiley@nycap.rr.com.



Paving....We still have some patching to do. We were waiting for the weather to cool down a bit, which it finally has.

Welcome....

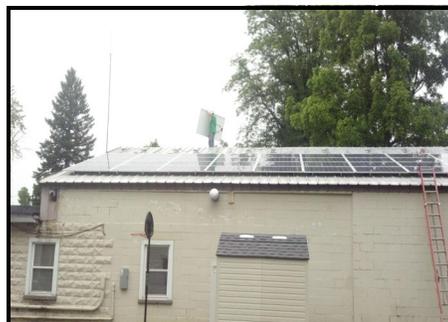
We have a *new building inspector* for the village. His name is **Ron Stark**. He's very experienced with many certifications and has already helped us improve some of our processes in the village. At Ron's suggestion we are looking to get our code books on-line so residents can review the village code and print building permit forms at their leisure.

Water Meters

We still have about 100 water meters to replace in the village. Thank you to everyone for accommodating the village with this. We are saving time and money with these new meters. If you haven't had the new meter installed give the village clerk a call to make an appointment. So far the installation costs of the meters have been covered by the village but that may not be the case after September. We need to have every residence and apartment converted to the new water meter as soon as possible. The old meters will not be able to be read in the future.

Look What's New

Solar panels have been installed over the DPW garage. These were paid for using funds from the \$150,000 NYPA award the village received with the help of Senator Roy McDonald. We are hoping to significantly reduce our utility bills with these panels.



Please remember to recycle. The Village pays per ton of trash. Recycling reduces that weight and our costs.



Castleton

Public Library

There are always lots of exciting things happening at the library. The 1st Annual DigiTeen contest is going on, there's Teen Book discussion, Story Hour, Family Movie Night, Weight Loss group, Lego Club and an upcoming Sleep Apnea presentation. If you're looking for a particular book you can order this on-line and pick it up at our library and there are free books that can be downloaded to your gadget of choice. So come on down, pull up one of our new comfy chairs, grab a book or magazine and start reading.

Friends of the Library is always looking for new members.

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Wednesday:
12PM-8PM
Thursday&Friday:
10AM-6PM
Saturday: 10AM-4PM

What's New

There's an interested buyer in the former Fort Orange Paper Company. The interested buyer wants to build a brand new plant to make cardboard boxes out of recycled paper. They have a number of other paper plants around New York State that are very "green" in terms of manufacturing. We are taking this one step at a time and asking lots of questions. We will keep you posted.

Water connection with the Town of Schodack

The village currently supplies water to both village residents and many town residents up Maple Hill Road. New home builders have been asking for water permits to build new homes in and outside the village. The DEC has restricted the number of permits we can give out until we have an alternate water supply (our current supply is working at capacity - on paper). After 2 years of negotiations the Village and the Town are very close to a deal where the village would buy water from the Town, if needed.

Trees on Main Street

The Village has purchased some Callery Pear trees to be planted on Main Street. The *Castleton in Bloom* volunteer organization, who have been instrumental in decorating the front of Village Hall which looks AMAZING, have been working with the Mayor to purchase some trees to replace some that were taken down some years ago because of blight. These new trees are somewhat small (we got them for a very inexpensive price), but they will be growing and blossoming in a short period of time. Special thanks to all the volunteers of *Castleton in Bloom*. They water all the plants on Main Street, researched species of trees that would work for Main Street, and coordinated with our DPW crew on a planting schedule. They are always looking for new members. Contact Andrea in the library if you'd like to be a member.

Culvert under 9J The Village has been notified that a large culvert carrying Route 9J over the Schodack Creek (roughly 1/3 mile south of the entrance to Schodack Island State Park) will be replaced by the state

soon. During this time Route 9J will need to be closed at this site for a period of 21 days, with traffic directed to a signed detour route. The exact dates have yet to be determined.

Fence next to Amtrak If you have property bordering the Amtrak tracks it is important that there is a 5-foot wide clear zone on the east side of the fence. This is the law and also allows room so that the owners of the tracks, CSX, can perform the necessary fence repairs. Property owners who do not keep that 5-foot wide strip clear will be contacted by either the building inspector or code enforcement officer. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Pedestrian Bridge over the railroad tracks

Village officials met with DOT in July to discuss the proposed Pedestrian bridge over the Amtrak tracks. It was a very positive visit and DOT officials are reviewing alternate bridge ideas submitted by the village.



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Castleton Obituaries

Warner, George F. - 86, died Friday, August 10, 2012 at St. Peter's Hospice with his beloved wife Rosemary and his family at his side. Married in 1950, he and Rosemary had just celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary.

DeJulio, Michael J. - 73, passed away on July 16, 2012. He was a lifelong resident of Castleton. In 1965, he joined the South Schodack Fire Company and was a lifelong member.

Metzger, Henry Alan of Benedict Street, died Thursday, August 9, 2012 at Riverside Nursing Home in Castleton after a long illness. In addition to teaching at Maple Hill and Castleton Elementary Schools for more than 30 years, he served on the Board of Trustees of the Castleton Public Library.

Olsen, Frances (Carney) married Jack J. Olsen in 1960 after graduating from Maple Hill High School in 1958. Retired life allowed Fran to dedicate her time to her children and grandchildren. She could always be seen at any sporting event or morning program.

