

The Castletonian

Castleton is a Great Place to Live!

Enjoy your summer!!

Library Meeting Scheduled for July 11th

ll of us agree that the Castleton Library is an important part of our community. The current controversy regarding the future of the Castleton Library is of concern to all of us.

To help us understand our options as residents of Castleton and the Town of Schodack, a meeting will be held on July 11th at the Comfort Inn (99 Miller Road at Exit 10 I-90) starting at 7:00 p.m. Dick Panz, former Monroe County System Director and Principal Consultant of Panz Library Consulting, will be presenting information concerning types of libraries, and library laws and regulations in effect in New York. His presentation is being funded by the NYS Division of Library Development.

A number of village residents, along with Mayor Perry and Trustee Joe McInerney attended a meeting on June 15th organized by a group of concerned citizens. The

meeting focused primarily on determining how residents feel about our relationship with the East Greenbush Library and whether we should invest in our own library in the Town of Schodack. There was not a lot of discussion on the Castleton Library but our astute residents made sure that the topic was brought up repeatedly.



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Special points of interest:

- The Village Board of Trustees meets the 2nd and 4th
 Mondays of each month.
 During the months of June,
 July, August, and December
 the meetings are only on the
 2nd Monday.
- The Planning Board meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month.
- Get involved with YOUR village government!

Thank You, John Hanson!

fter weeks
of negotiation, John
Hanson removed his tractor trailer that was lo-

cated in the lot in front of the Boat Club.

The appearance of Main Street is of vital importance to all of us. Your Village Board recognizes there is a fine line between strict code enforcement and oppressive government action. All of us in the community appreciate the effort John went through to remove his trailer and improve the look of our Main Street!

Farmers Market

he Village of Castleton is attempting to start a Farmers' Market. We have invited many area farmers to participate in this event which is scheduled for Wednesdays from 3-6:30 on North Main Street. At the present, we have two farmer who has expressed a definite interest in participating. We realize that it may take a few years for our market to "get off the ground." We request your patience as we work this out! Please patronize our market!

New Street Sweeper

ou may notice a new addition to the DPW fleet during the next couple of weeks. The Village purchased a new street sweeper that will help keep our streets clean. This item was included as a lease-purchase in the 2006-07 Village Budget. The decision to obtain the new street sweeper did not come a moment too early. Our current



The Village recently purchased a new Street Sweeper! Be on the lookout for it!

sweeper nearly lost its wheel a couple of weeks ago!

Stewart's Mural is a Little Bit of our History

nder the direction of Middle
School Art Teacher Janelle Gregoire, several students have been painting a mural depicting Castleton's history on the wall next to
Stewart's on Main Street.

Many of us have noticed for a few months now the progression of the

mural. The idea for it was first discussed at a meeting held over a year ago with the Stewart's Corporation as part of our Village's efforts to revitalize Main Street. The mural depicts the history of Castleton up through the future.

Thank you to all the students and adults who have contributed their time and talent to this endeavor! The Village Board of Trustees plans to recognize their hard work this We appreciate the efforts of all students (and adults) who worked on the mural. It is beautiful!

Fall when school resumes. See what can happen when we all work together to better our community!

Scott Avenue Sidewalk Rehabilitation

fter nearly two years of hard work by many people, the Scott Avenue sidewalk project was put out to bid in late June. As you may recall, the Capital District Transportation

Committee awarded us over \$60,000 to replace the sidewalks from Prins Hill Way to Ransom Avenue. Even though the grant was designed to be streamlined, it took much patience over nearly two years on the part of Clark Engineering, especially Derrick Gardner, to steer the grant through the



Castletonians love to walk in our beautiful village!

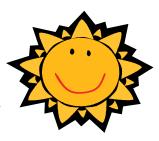
many requirements imposed on us by the NYS
Department of
Transportation.
We will give you
more information
as this event unfolds.

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Have You Heard the Latest?.....

ur Village Attorney, Craig Crist, recently injured his wrist severely in a biking accident and was required to endure painful surgery. Get well soon, Craig!

Betty Saville, our Deputy Village Clerk, is celebrating her 29th birthday on July 14th. Happy Birthday, Betty! We are sorry to learn that George Flanders, a valued DPW



employee, will be leaving us to join the Town of Schodack DPW crew. Good luck, George! We will miss you!

Don't feel like cooking this summer? The Village Inn is introduc-

ing a brand new menu this month! Stop down and see what our friend Jan has to offer! Speaking of the VI, the Village of Castleton will soon be posting its official notices on a brand new bulletin board located inside its dining room! Stop down and catch up on the latest Village gossip!

If you have news items to include in future issues of *The Castletonian*, please e-mail them to mayornancy-perry@yahoo.com. We will include them as space permits.

Main Street Revitalization

everal residents have inquired recently about the status of our Main Street revitalization efforts. Please be assured that we are very busy and focused on our Main Street. Mayor Perry met with Steve Kirk, our planning consultant, to discuss the status of our Community Develop-

ment Block Fund application.
Steve is very optimistic regarding its approval and we should learn its fate in early Fall. In the meantime, Mayor Perry was appointed by Town Supervisor Beth Secor to the Schodack Industrial Development Agency, which will help direct the grant once it is awarded to us.

In addition, Steve has put together a grant directed to replacing and improving Main Street sidewalks. Your Village Board of Trustees is committed to improving our Main Street Business area.

This could allow us money focused on making the sidewalks very attractive.

Holidays on the Hudson Planning Meeting

t may be hot, humid, and wet outside but it is never too early to start planning for our winter events! This year, we would like to start planning our annual "Holidays on the Hudson" event as early as possible.

Mayor Perry is looking for any volun-

teers in our village who would like to be part of this important event. Our intention is to keep the traditions that have been typically associated with it but to incorporate new cultural activities to acknowledge the diversity among

If you are interested in sharing your ideas, please contact Mayor Perry at mayornancyperry@yahoo.com or leave a



What? The Holiday Season already?

message for her at Village Hall (732-2211). Based upon the input, we will schedule a meeting for sometime in Au-

gust to assess our options. Your contributions will be valued!

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Upcoming Board Meetings:

Board of Trustees, July 10th-7:30 pm

The Village Board of Trustees has been asked to approve the members currently serving on the Library Board of Trustees. We have extended invitations to these members to attend our July 10th meeting to discuss their views on the Castleton Library.

Planning Board, July 19-7:00 pm

The Planning Board was busy at the June meeting discussing State Environmental Quality Review Act requirements associated with the proposed development at the old Pear Orchard on Scott Avenue.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS		
EMERGENCY	911	
Village Clerk	732-2211	
Public Works	732-2983	
Library	732-0879	
Post Office	732-2132	
Elementary School	732-7755	
Middle School	732-7736	
High School	732-7701	
Schodack Is. State Park 732-0187		

Castleton Garage Sale Day is on September 16th

he annual Castleton Village-Wide
Garage Sale day will be held on
Saturday, September 16th from
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This annual
event is held rain or shine. Everyone is encouraged to "put out their
valuables" on that day and welcome
the throngs of people that descend
upon our village.

One way to distinguish your sale from others in the Village is to advertise it in a flyer sponsored by the Castleton Business Association. This association collects money to help defray costs for Village events, such as the annual Easter Parade and Egg Hunt. For a paltry fee of \$4.00, your Garage Sale (along with any special items you may be selling) will be listed and distributed at key spots just on our Village border. This will allow visitors to target your sales instead of just stumbling upon them. If you are part of an organization that is selling coffee or food items, we will also include you in the flyer.

If you are interested in listing your sale in the flyer, please mail your name, address, phone number and special items you have for sale, along with a check for \$4.00 made out to "Castleton Business Association" to Marianne Carner, 56 South

Main Street, Castleton, New York, 12033. Good luck and Happy Selling! Oh, and by the way, for the



stuff you don't sell, don't forget the Castleton Garbage Day is on Saturday, September 20th at the Brickyard!