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# The Castletonian

## Village Roads

We do recognize that there are some serious potholes around the Village and the DPW crew will begin to patch these very soon. A couple of roads are getting completely redone. Seaman Avenue is particularly bad and needs to be completely resurfaced, but because of a large building project taking place at the Resurrection Convent we will only be patching Seaman and not resurfacing it until the Convent project is complete. Thanks for your patience on this.

There is a Public Hearing at the next Village Board Meeting, which takes place on Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss parking in various spots in the Village. One spot in particular on the agenda is the east side of Campbell Avenue in front of the school.

Street Sweeping – while you may not think street sweeping does much, you would be amazed at how much dirt and debris is collected after a day of sweeping. Enough to fill the back of a large pickup. Street sweeping is also part of our EPA MS4 stormwater discharge program whose goals is to keep dirty water and debris from flowing into the Hudson. So we'll keep sweeping.

The Village-wide Garage Sale takes place this Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>.

There will also be a Farmer's Market in front of the Castleton Elementary School.

Hope to see everyone there!

## Castleton Public Library

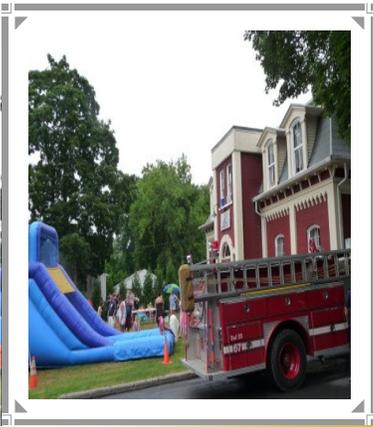
Now Open!  
Mahar's on Main  
Street in  
Castleton. C'mon  
down for a cold  
one and enjoy the  
English Pub  
surroundings.

We've installed a new Library Board of nine members made up of residents of both the Town of Schodack and the Village. They've been sworn in, decided on an organizational structure and

have been busy running the library. Thanks to the former board for their service to the community. If anyone is interested in volunteering, The Friends of the Castleton Public Library is an organization

that focuses on supporting the library by volunteering, fundraising, advocacy and sponsoring programs. Some of the activities that the Friends

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**Library Summer Splash**

## Castleton Public Library (Continued from page 1)

have been involved with include purchasing books and DVDs for the library, fundraising via book sales, bake sales and raffle baskets. Also in past years they have sponsored a float for the annual Memorial Day Parade. In August the Friends hosted a couple of evenings of local musicians at

their Music on the Lawn Thursday night series. If you would like to be added to the Friends email list, please email [friendsofcastletonlibrary@yahoo.com](mailto:friendsofcastletonlibrary@yahoo.com) with Email in the subject line. The Friends meet monthly, the third

Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the upstairs meeting room at Village Hall. All are welcome!



**Congressman Paul Tonko and Mayor Joe Keegan**

### Castleton Public Library Hours

- Monday: 2:00-8:00
- Tuesday: 2:00-7:00
- Wednesday: 2:00-8:00
- Thursday: 2:00-8:00
- Friday: 2:00-8:00
- Saturday: 9:00-3:00
- Sunday: closed



**The swearing in ceremony for the new Library Trustees.**

## Castleton Fire Department

Two weeks ago there was a structure fire at Fort Orange Paper Company. More than a dozen fire companies responded to the alarm with nearly 100 personnel. The fire was controlled quickly although fire fighters were on the scene most of the

day. An outstanding job was done by all companies. There was also a barn fire in Columbia County that included nearly as many companies. It was a busy month. The Fire Department is always looking for new members. They can

use all kinds of help around the firehouse as well as fighting fires. Stop by any Tuesday night to say hello and learn more.

### ▪Obituary▪

John W. Goodlow (Bill) who may have been Castleton's oldest resident at the age of 103, died June 28, 2010. He lived on Benedict Street and was a lifelong resident of the village.



## Our Volunteers

The Fire Department’s pump house on Main Street, at the bottom of Seaman Avenue, got a fresh coat of paint from some volunteers. With the Villages permission Tom Heeder, his son Jesse, Mike Hiser, his son Seth, and George Warner got together and painted the pump house. Seth and Mike also weeded the flower bed in front of the

Post Office this year (and it looks great). Those two plus Rich Noll, Jenny Cipperly and George Lengio have kept that flower bed looking good these past two summers. Thank you all for helping keep the Village looking great.

The Village is looking for some volunteers for a few special projects. If you have some time and ex-

pertise drop a line to [clerk@nycap.rr.com](mailto:clerk@nycap.rr.com):  
**★ Technology and Website Committee** – help us keep the Village on top of all the latest technologies and our website current.

**★ Friends of Village Hall** – our community building needs some maintenance and we need some help putting together our punch list.

### ▪Water & Sewer▪

Just a reminder from the Water and Sewer department that it is illegal to dump pool water into storm drains. You can either dump your pool water onto your lawn or if you have a dry well you can use that.

If you have any questions, call the Wastewater Supervisor at 732-2752.

## Weight Watchers

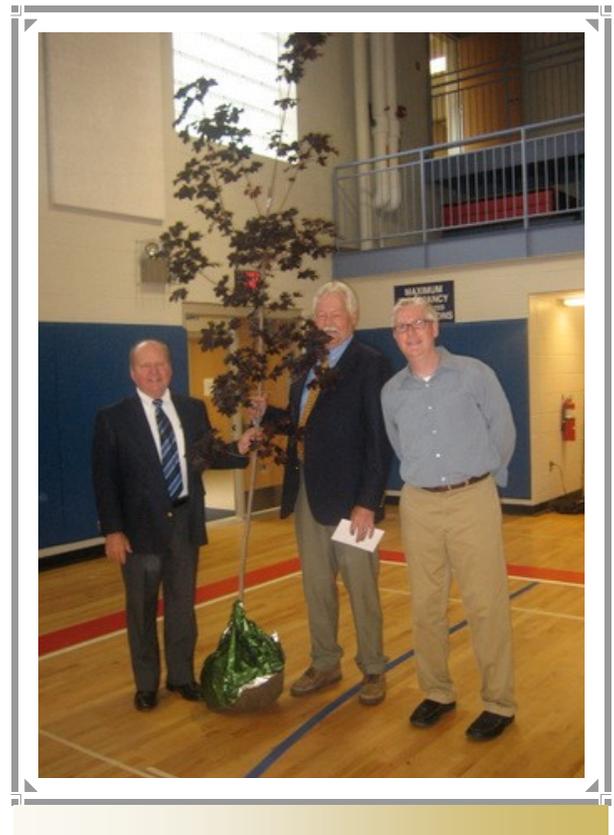
Weight Watchers is coming to town! If you want to lose a few pounds the Weight Watchers program has been known to be an effective tool that teaches people how to lose weight while making sensible food choices.

We’re starting a meeting in the Village. We need 15 people who will prepay for a 12 week period at \$144 each. Registrants will also get 14 weeks of free E-tools valued at \$45.

The meetings are open to all adults (you don’t have to live in the Village to attend). Adolescents 10 to 16 years old can also join. However, they need a physician’s note that includes the physician’s ultimate weight goal or range, and a health release from their parents.

Just think how good you’ll feel after the 12 weeks! The meetings will be held at Village Hall. The day of the week has not yet been determined.

The mayor has already signed up! If interested drop an email to [clerk@nycapp.rr.com](mailto:clerk@nycapp.rr.com)



**Mayor Joe Keegan and Supervisor Dennis Dowds present retiring Superintendent Doug Hamlin a tree as a gift that is planted on the CES playground**

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## Rules of the Road

We got lots of calls since the last issue of *The Castletonian* when we reminded residents to come to a **FULL** stop at the 4-way stop near Morgan Terrace. Callers noted other 4-way stops in the Village and how not all cars do come to a full stop. One notorious location is on Seaman at Campbell. School is starting soon so please obey all traffic signs.

Campbell Avenue crossing at the elementary school...just a reminder that NYS law gives pedestrians the right of way in a crosswalk. That means if you see a pedestrian in the crosswalk you must STOP your car until the pedestrian reaches the other side. This applies to cars coming from either direction. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade has been added to CES so we will have even more kids crossing. Please obey this law.

## Trash and Recycling

Ever notice how sometimes the trash is picked up on Wednesday but the recyclables aren't picked up until Thursday?

The Village pays a trash company to pick up trash. However, the Village DPW staff picks up the recyclables. Sometimes there is an urgent DPW issue on Wednesday that demands attention from the DPW staff (like two water main breaks we've had the past few weeks). This pushes out the recyclables collection until Thursday.

Thanks for everyone's patience on these occasional unavoidable situations.

For updates on happenings around the Village and to access the monthly calendars, please bookmark our website and visit frequently:

[WWW.CASTLETON-ON-HUDSON.ORG](http://WWW.CASTLETON-ON-HUDSON.ORG)



### Mark Your Calendars

**Fall Clean-up Day  
and Electronics  
Recycling is  
Saturday, September  
25<sup>th</sup>. It takes  
place from 8:00-  
noon at the Brick-  
yard.**