

News of Castleton-Schodack

See Schodack tax rate drop

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The tax rate per \$1,000 assessed valuation in Schodack will drop from \$83.88 to \$81.18, if the tentative budget for 1980 released by County Executive William Murphy is approved.

The figure does not include the cost of county services charged back to the towns, which is not yet available.

Schodack's share of the \$7,379,441.75 county tax levy would drop from the current \$712,076.93 to \$699,202.11 in 1980 under the proposal. The overall county level would drop from \$7,557,598.50.

The appropriations would rise about 2.9 percent - or \$1.9 million - to \$67.5 million.

Murphy said more than half the money - \$34.9 million or 51.7 percent - would go for mandated social services. Eighty-nine percent of the total tax levy would go for supporting those programs, he said.

Other large items include an addition of 15 members to the Sheriff's Dept. and funding for a highway bond act designed to stimulate economic activity in Rensselaer County while improving the existing highway network.

Scouts will sing songs of Halloween

On Sunday afternoon, October 28, Girl Scouts from the Castleton Neighborhood will be participating in a Halloween Pumpkin Carol in the vicinity of the Village of Castleton.

The youngsters, brownies and girl scouts, will begin parading through the village street in costume at 2 p.m. singing pumpkin season songs. The affair is being organized by Mrs. Joanne Van Beusichem, Neighborhood Chairperson.

Fourteen troops from Castleton Neighborhood Five took part in an encampment at Camp Sha Te Muc, Chatham, the weekend of October 5, 6 and 7. Brownies and Girl Scouts competed in 15 skill contests for prizes. The camping weekend was planned and organized by Peter Turkel, Girl Scout Cadet Troop leader and Mrs. Sue Dudak, former Neighborhood Chairperson.

Scheduled for Friday evening, November 9, will be the Neighborhood Investiture to be held at Maple Hill Elementary School. All new Brownies will be presented with their pins in a formal ceremony and welcomed as an official member in the Girl Scouts of America organization by sister scouts.

Girl Scout cookie sales are being planned for the month of January. According to Mrs. Van Beusichem, cookie orders will be taken during the month of January with delivery of cookies in March of 1980.

Kiwanians to sponsor spook parade

The Halloween Kiwanis parade will take place Wednesday, October 31, with marchers lining up at 6:15 p.m. and moving off at 6:30 p.m. from Castleton Elementary School.

The route will be west on Scott Avenue to Main St., south on Main Street to Green Avenue and east on Green to the firehouse... where judging of costumes will take place for cash prizes.

The parade will be escorted by Castleton Fire Company. Refreshments will be provided by Castleton Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary.

Theatrical group on Maple Hill stage

A New York City theatrical group, "The Sidewalks of New York," will be performing a Moliere play, "The Physician In Spite of Himself" at the Maple Hill High School on Friday, November 9, at 7:30 p.m.

The French play, Le Medecin Malgre Lui, is a 17th century comedy based on the customs of the time. It is sure to provide an evening of relaxed fun and enjoyment for those who will be attending.

The performance is being sponsored by the Schodack Central Council on the Arts. Tickets available at the door sell for \$1.50 for adults and \$1.00 for students. For information or advanced tickets call 732-2814.

Scouts collected 7 tons of paper

Boy Scouts of Troop 253 of South Schodack, picked up and delivered over seven tons of newspapers for recycling to Fort Orange Paper Company the first weekend of October.

After the pick up, the boys headed to Timber Vloe near New Lebanon for an overnight campout preparation for the annual camporee last weekend at the Methodist Farm Campsite near Crooked Lake.

Church sets Nov. 9 date for card party

The Sacred Heart Church in Castleton will sponsor a card party in the church hall on Friday evening, November 9, at 7:30 p.m.

There will be table favors, prizes and door prizes, along with refreshments. Tables are limited so please call and reserve yours now. There will

be no extra tickets sold at the door. Donation is \$1.75 per person. For reservations, call Norma Dudek at 732-2203 after 5:00 p.m. or Ada Snow at 732-2155 between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

"Spook house" will open for the very brave

Youngsters, accompanied by their parents, are invited to attend the "spook house" being sponsored by the Maple Hill High School Key Club this Friday, October 26, at the Castleton Elementary School from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The spook house is free for children accompanied by their parents, guardian or mature adult. Special passes for students over the seventh grade level are available from Key Club members.

The movie "The Night of the Living Dead" will be shown at the Castleton Elementary School on Friday evening, October 26, from 9 to 10:30 p.m. Movie admission of \$1.00 per person will be used by members of the Maple Hill High School Key Club for future community projects.

Driver charged

Eric A. Latoree, 22, of Knickerbocker Farms, Castleton, was accused of driving while intoxicated, while his license was suspended, without insurance and speeding, along with unlawful possession of marijuana last week Thursday, Schodack Police said.

Harlemville school slates Christmas fair

The Hawthorne Valley School will hold its annual Christmas Fair at the School in Harlemville Saturday, Dec. 1.

For the past five years, the fair has featured handcrafts made of natural materials, puppet shows, candle dipping, a candle-lit cafe and tea room and activities for children.

Interested persons wishing to donate blood are asked to call Sue Rozbozom at 732-7947 as soon as possible.

Schodack church will hold bazaar

A Christmas Bazaar and turkey dinner will be held this Saturday at the Reformed Church of Schodack Friendship House on Muteskill Road, Schodack. The events are being sponsored by the Women's Guild.

Bazaar will open on October 27 at 11 a.m. with Christmas items, plants, handmade items and baked goods. Lunch will also be available.

A turkey dinner will be served at three settings, 4:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Reservations are necessary for the dinner and can be made by calling 732-2085 or 732-2096. Tickets for the dinner are \$4.75 for adults and \$2.50 for children under the age of 12.

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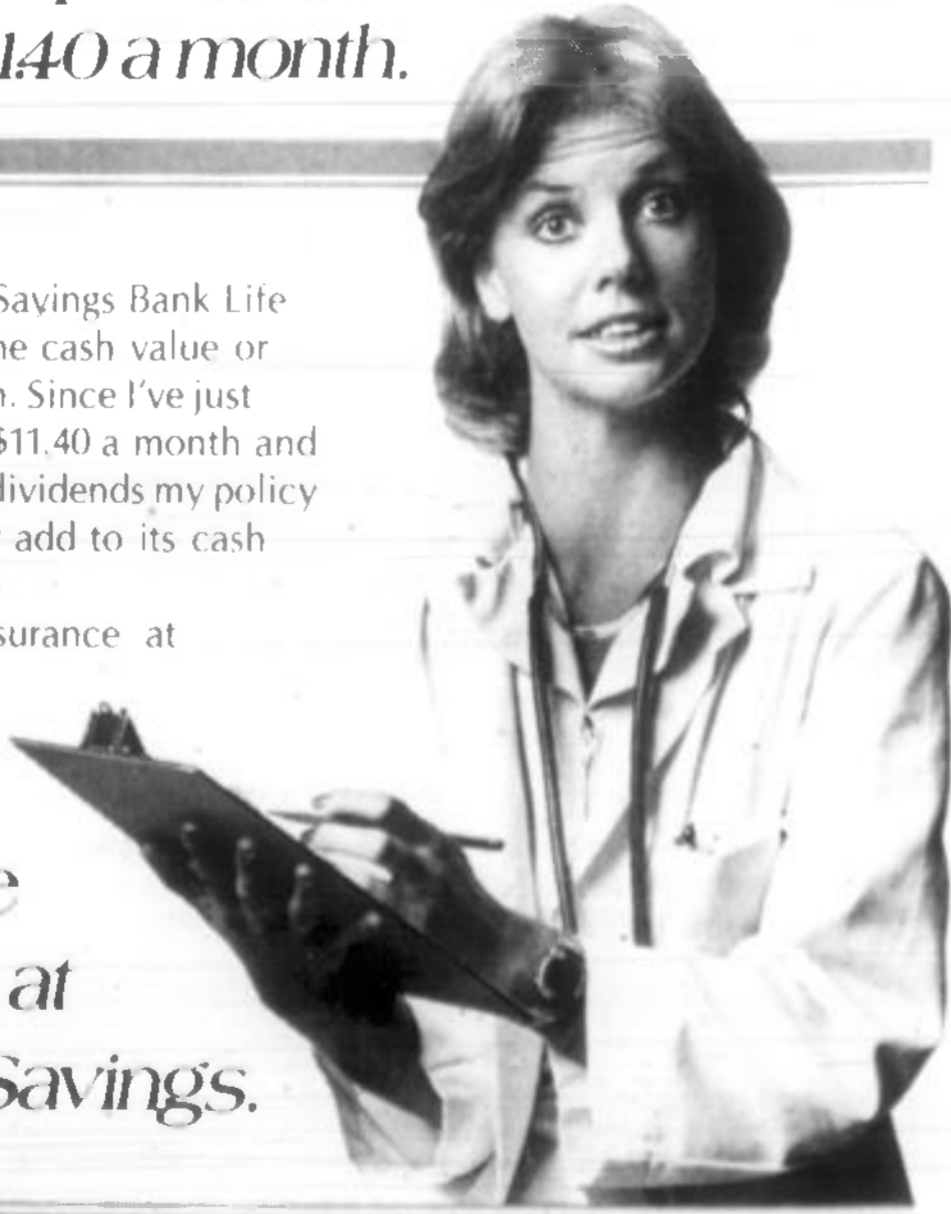
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