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CCM plans holiday service, food distribution

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A community Thanksgiving service and the distribution of Thanksgiving food baskets is being sponsored by the churches of the Cooperative Christian Ministries of Schodack.

The service will be held for the CCM churches at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Carney Road, Wednesday, November 27, at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. Results of the CROP Walk will be announced at the service.

November 24 will be food collection Sunday in CCM churches. On that date, churchgoers are asked to bring gifts of food or money to church to provide Thanksgiving baskets for the less fortunate in the community. Canned or dried food items are needed. Money that is donated will be used to buy turkeys.

A list of those needing baskets is being compiled by the Rev. Alan C. Rhodes of St. Paul's. To place a family on the list, call him at 732-2128, or notify your pastor.

The baskets will be packed for distribution at Trinity Lutheran Church, Castleton, beginning at 9 a.m. Monday, November 25. Volunteers are welcome.

Fair Saturday
The annual fall fair of the Women's Guild of Emmanuel Reformed Church will be held this Saturday, November 16, at the church from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with refreshments, a baked goods sale and tables for sale of miscellaneous items.

The public is invited to come and stay for lunch. A feature will be an auction at 1 p.m. Co-chairpersons are Mary Wejola, Virginia Grogan and Elaine Kiefer.

School musical
"The Music Man" presented by the Maple Hill High School music department will be performed this Friday and Saturday at the high school at 7:30 p.m. nightly.

Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students. The musical is directed by two members of MacHaydn Theatre in Chatham and features a large cast of students and an adult quartet.

Scoutmaster needed
South Schodack Boy Scout Troop 253 is looking for a scoutmaster to fill the position which is now vacant.



FATHERS AND SONS, all members of Sunnyside Masonic Lodge in Castleton, gathered in recognition of a unique situation at the local lodge. Currently four fathers and four sons are active members of Sunnyside. From the left are George L. Corson and father George V. Corson; H. Alan Metzger and father, Henry Metzger; G. Jeffrey Haber and father, Glenn Haber and David B. Harris and father, Donald B. Harris.

The troop meets weekly on Thursday nights at the South Schodack Firehouse. Ken Stinner, president of the South Schodack Volunteer Fire Company, the troop's sponsor, says being a former scout, or having a son that is a scout is not a requirement. To apply, call Mr. Stinner at 732-4293 or Jerry Bohley at 732-2398.

Chili contest
The Great Castleton Chili Cook-Off will again be held this year as part of the kick-off of "Christmas in Castleton."

The event is sponsored by the Country Kitchen of Castleton and judging will be at 2 p.m. December 8 at the Castleton Village Hall. It will precede the annual tree-lighting ceremony sponsored by the village and the Castleton Business and Professional Association.

A \$25 cash prize will go to the best chili cook. Entrants must register by December 7. The chili must be homemade and consist of at least three quarts, according to Helen Whelpley of the Country Kitchen. To register, call Helen at 732-2465 or see her at the restaurant at 68 South Main Street, Castleton.

Esquatak meeting
The Historical Society of Esquatak will meet tomorrow, Friday, November 15, at the Schodack Town Hall at 8 p.m. The topic will be "Cemeteries

of Rensselaer County," with Warren Broderick, local historian, as the speaker. He will discuss Mountain View Cemetery in Castleton and others in Nassau, Schodack and Schodack Landing.

There will be no Esquatak meeting in December.

COHNA elects
Three new directors were elected at the annual meeting of the Castleton Neighborhood Association last week.

They are Donna Young, Dan Haggerty and Joan Williams. The directors will elect officers November 19 and there will be a membership meeting December 3 when a proposal to expand the board from seven to 13 members will be considered. In addition to the new members, the board of directors includes Carole Miller, Terry Atwater, Cathy Whiston and William Bookhop.

Auxiliary elects
The Ladies Auxiliary of the Castleton Boat Club has elected Grace Kirsch president succeeding Elaine Vadnais.

Other new officers are Jean Chappell, vice president, and Carole Rossman, secretary. Amelia Harter was re-elected treasurer. A ladies night dinner dance will be held Saturday, November 16, at Melvin Roads Post Rooms, Clinton Heights.

Dems dinner dance
The Schodack Democratic Club will hold a post-election dinner and dance this Sunday, November 17, at the Schodack Country Club.

Dinner will be served at 4 p.m. followed by dancing. For reservations call Leo Kellogg at 477-7584.

Kellogg was recently elected president of the club, succeeding Don Cripps. Judy Kraus is secretary-treasurer and Steven Roth is assistant secretary-treasurer.

Guild meeting
The Women's Guild for Christian Service of the Dutch Reformed Church of Schodack will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday, November 19, at the home of Mrs. Virginia Pertgen, Schodack Landing.

Jean Harris and Helena Green will lead the devotions. Psalm 31 will be studied.

Yule greens show
The 1985 Christmas Greens Show, sponsored by the Country Garden Club of Schodack and Nassau, will be held Sunday, December 8, from 1 to 5 p.m. at 86 Green Avenue, Castleton.

The residence will be decorated with holiday greens created by members of the Garden Club.

Admission to the show is \$1. The public is invited. The Castleton Busy Beavers Club has 5000 cases of 4-H Cookies. Profit of this sale is used by our club and by Rensselaer County 4-H for Award Trips and other group and individual activities.

Kimberly Rock was our 4-H representative at the Schodack

Landing polling place on Election Day learning about government by on-site observation.

"Pie Time" project lesson was held recently at the Gwen Pease home with Mrs. Pease as instructor. Two apple pies were baked and enjoyed by everyone. Next lesson is November 20th.

Charter member, Susan Pease Carroll, had her first child on November 4th. Her name is Bridget Kathleen and is the third grandchild for our leader, Mrs. Pease.

Business meeting for next month will be December 3rd at the Pease home after school. Holiday plans will be finalized. Kimberly Rock News Reporter

Taxpayers meet
The Schodack Taxpayers Association will meet Wednesday, November 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the Schodack Valley Firehouse.

The group will be discussing the future of the Schodack landfill.

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Lauzon named new postmaster

Peter R. Lauzon of Salem, N.Y. was installed Tuesday as postmaster of the Schodack Landing Post Office.

He succeeds Walter Eckel who retired April 26, 1985.

Appointed by Regional Postmaster General John G. Mulligan, Lauzon granted the post in accordance with the Merit Selection Procedures of the Postal Reorganization Act.

He began his career as part-time clerk in the Salem Post Office in 1975. He has since served as Officer-in-Charge in the Hampton and North Creek Post Offices where he was awarded letters of commendation.

He also served as Postal Operations Administrator in Salem and was a letter carrier at Granville, N.Y.

Married to the former Ellen Normile, the couple has five children.

In his new position, Lauzon will head an office of four employees handling approximately 455,000 pieces of mail annually.

Sandra Jackson has been Officer-in-Charge since Eckel's retirement and she will now return to her regular position as a clerk in the East Chatham Post Office.

Special education discussed

An information meeting on early childhood and special education programs of the Schodack Central School District was held November 4 by the Schodack Central Board of Education.

This was the second in the series of informational public meetings to inform board members and the public on the school curriculum. The next such meeting will be December 4, when the topic will be the "Regents Action Plan."

Speaker last week was Gerald Friends, Castleton Elementary School principal, who spoke on the services for children with special educational needs, and the district's relations with special child-care providers and the home.