March 2015

VILLAGE ELECTIONS – will be held Wednesday, March 18th from 12pm – 9pm. This year's candidates are for two (2) trustees (Jane Eliasz and Jenifer Bannister) and the mayor (Keith Granger). All are running unopposed. Elections will take place in the Castile Government Center.

DOUGHBOY RESTORATION FUND – 4th Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner will be held on Saturday, March 14th at the United Church of Christ from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Cost is \$9 per meal.

FREE BEEF ON WECK LUNCH for all Veterans, Saturday, March 28th at the Legion Building in Warsaw Park. \$5 suggested donation for guests.

MARCH EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY - Family Movie Night at 7pm on Friday, March 20th and Storytime at 1pm on Thursday, March 26th.

CABIN FEVER CHICKEN BBQ to benefit Troop 4050 Summer Camp Fund, Tuesday, March 31st from 4-7pm at the Castile Community Center. Limited Walk-ins will be available. \$10 Pre-sale tickets are available from any Castile Boy Scout or by calling 493-3015.

CASTILE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service, April 2nd at 6:30pm – bring a dish to pass and your own table service. Easter Sunday Services: 8am followed by a Tureen Brunch (bring a brunch item to share), 10am with Holy Communion.

VILLAGE BICENTENNIAL is coming up in 2016. The first Bicentennial Committee meeting will be held on Monday, March 9th at 7pm in the Gov't Center. Everyone is encouraged to bring your ideas and get involved!

ENERGY EFFICIENCY REBATES – are available through CEEP (Castile Energy Efficiency Program). All you need is your receipt, proof of Energy Star, and a completed application. Rebates are available for a range of appliances as well as commercial lighting upgrades. Pick up your application at the Village Office today!

VILLAGE-WIDE YARD SALES – will be held on Saturday June 6th.

On February 5, 2015, the Public Service Commission approved an increase to the electric rates of the Village of Castile Electric Department. The increase in rates applies to the usage after February 11, 2015, so customers will start seeing the impact on their bills beginning in March. The increase will affect each Service Classification equally and customer bills will rise by approximately 15%. Rate and fee schedules are available at the Village of Castile Offices at 53 N. Main St. Castile, NY 14427. Questions or comments may be addressed to the Public Service Commission via the Commission's Opinion Line at (800)355-2120.

The proposed increase in rates is designed to increase the overall electric revenues of the Systems by \$87,186. For an average residential customer using 1,356 kilowatt-hours of energy per month, the average monthly bill in the winter is proposed to increase from \$70.53 to \$82.79, or 17.4%. For non-demand metered General Service customers, the average monthly bill of approximately 1,000 kilowatt-hours per month in the winter is proposed to increase from \$61.54 per month to \$73.16 per month, or 18.9%.

This is the first rate increase since 2004.