

OUR TOWN

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From the Mayor's Desk...

Janice Kovach



I would like to start out with a thank you to Councilman Carberry and Councilman Pendergast for their service and commitment to the Town of Clinton. Please attend one of our last two council meetings to say "Thank You".

I would also like to welcome Councilwoman-elect Karsh and Councilwoman-elect Johnson -who will both be sworn in at our re-organization meeting January 2, 2018.

Over the last two years Clinton has been responding to statewide litigation on affordable housing. Unfortunately the Governor and the legislature have not done their job in addressing the State's constitutional obligation to address the affordable housing need in NJ. So in March of 2015 the NJ Supreme Court ruled that they would determine the municipal affordable housing obligations. However they did issue a 90 day stay of that order to give the legislature one last opportunity to address the obligation issue. Unfortunately they did not address the issue and Clinton along with several hundred other communities became embroiled in litigation.

In addition, the courts allowed property owners to participate as an

"intervenor", which gave them a seat at the negotiation table if they had property deemed suitable for affordable housing and a Town had an outstanding obligation. That being said, over the last two years the Town has been actively negotiating with Fair Share Housing and a property owner to come up with a reasonable number of affordable housing units. Unfortunately, during this time we were coming up against hurdles and deadlines which lengthened and complicated the process.

The Town Hall meeting gave us (Mayor, Council and the Land Use Board) an opportunity to understand resident's concerns and frustrations and gauge a willingness to acquire property that would give the Town an opportunity to provide a 100% affordable project thus reducing the number of new market rate units that would be built. At a follow-up meeting with the Land Use Board, we approved an offer on the old Music Hall property that would become an age restricted - 100% affordable housing development.

As we moved forward with this plan it became evident that the Town could meet the housing obligation number that Fair Share was offering without utilizing the intervenor's property (Moebus Tract). Fair Share recognized the Town's commitment to appropriate affordable projects and agreed to the settlement without the consent of the intervenor.

At the November 27th Town Hall meeting, the Mayor and Council voted **unanimously** to accept the settlement offer. Even though the Town and Fair Share have come to an agreement on the final housing numbers the next steps in the process will include a "numbers trial" before the Judge in order to memorialize the settlement. After that, we will then have a period of time to document and adopt our plan officially before our compliance hearing which will determine whether or not the plan is feasible. Again, as Fair Share and the Town are in agreement, this will be a fairly straight-forward process.

I want to thank everyone that came to the Town Hall meetings, who made phone calls to the State Legislators as well as Fair Share. It was the combined effort of everyone that got us to this point.

As always please feel free to reach out to any of us with questions or concerns via email at jkovach@clintonnj.gov or cell 908-399-8921.

Wishing you all a very happy, healthy and safe holiday season and prosperous New Year!



31ST ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE

FRIDAY DECEMBER 1st 7:00PM



Code Enforcement by Jack Daniels

Major Fire Extinguisher Recall by Kidde!

Please check your fire extinguishers! 1 death already has been reported. If you have a Kidde fire extinguisher with a plastic handle in your home or business, it likely has been recalled. This recent recall effects some 40 million (yes 40 million) fire extinguishers sold from 1973 through 2015. There are 134 models on the recall list. While conducting smoke alarm and fire extinguisher home resale inspections, I've found recalled extinguishers. The information about the recall may be found at the Consumer Safety Product Commission website; <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2017/kidde-recalls-fire-extinguishers-with-plastic-handles-due-to-failure-to-discharge-and>, online at www.kidde.com, click on "Product Safety Recall" or call Kidde toll-free at 855-271-0773 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. ET on Saturday or Sunday. Please note that I will be checking all Kidde fire extinguishers to determine if they are part of the recall upon my fire and housing related inspections. Please do not wait until I make an inspection to inform you that your extinguisher is recalled. Please

contact me should you have any questions regarding this matter.

New Carbon Monoxide Requirements for all businesses

New Requirements: Recently, regulations and codes have changed to require carbon monoxide detection within businesses that have fuel fired appliances or an attached garage. This became effective on 9-3-17. As a result of this, I will be checking for carbon monoxide device installation within all businesses upon my fire inspections. Carbon monoxide detectors or alarms shall be installed in the immediate vicinity of the potential source/s of carbon monoxide. If the appliance is an exterior type unit such as a rooftop HVAC unit, there are specific requirements associated with detection placement as well. Detectors may be battery operated, hard wired or plug-in type. If carbon monoxide "alarms" are to be used there are additional requirements associated with this type of alarm system. Please contact me to discuss this new requirement before you forge ahead with an alarm system that may not be code complaint.

Fire Hydrant Reminder: Soon enough the snow will fall and snow accumula-

tions can delay fire department personnel from fire suppression efforts. It is in everyone's best interest to maintain a clear pathway to and a minimum of 3 foot clearance around the fire hydrants. Help us to better serve you by clearing all fire hydrants from snow accumulations.

Free Smoke Detector Program

Reminder: If anyone is in need of smoke detectors, the Clinton Fire Department (908-735-8613) and my office have battery operated ones to provide you. This is a free, no questions asked program sponsored by the State of NJ Division of Fire Safety and Kidde. We are serious about your safety so please contact us so that we can help you.

If anyone would like to speak to me regarding anything dealing with this article, fire prevention, housing or code enforcement matters, please contact me via email, my office at 908-735-2275 or via cell phone at 908-468-1696. I would be happy to assist you in any way that I can.

Jack Daniels, Clinton Fire Marshal

**FREE RABIES CLINIC
AT TOWN OF CLINTON BARN
SATURDAY, JANUARY 13th
8AM TO 11AM**



Clinton Town 10th Annual Yuletide Bonfire

**Saturday, January TBD (rain date Jan TBD)
Check website www.clintonnj.gov**

**6:00 PM @ Hunts Mill Park
Come Join Your Fellow Neighbors
At Our Town's Winter Festival**



!!!! BRUSH PICKUP HAS ENDED FOR THE WINTER!!!!

Brush pickup will begin again in May 2018.

Please **DO NOT** put any brush out on/to the street till then. **IT WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.**
DO NOT put branches on top of leaves - **THEY WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.**

Public Works / Bus. Administrator by Richard D. Phelan



Reminders/General Information

As winter is approaching, we want to remind all residents to remove all vehicles from the public roadways during a snow event. This will allow Public Works employees to safely and effectively plow all of the snow from the roads. For those residents with portable basketball net placed along the street, I would like to ask all residents to consider relocating the nets during a snow event as they can pose a hazard to municipal vehicles. Due to the physical size of the equipment needed to perform these services, it can be difficult to operate the vehicles while trying to maneuver around the basketball nets. The relocation of the nets will allow municipal employees to safely remove the streets of snow while ensuring that vehicles/equipment, as well as your basketball net, do not get damaged. We thank you in advance for your assistance.

Your DPW is busy picking up leaves. There will be multiple trips through all neighborhoods. Please do not place leaves with 10 feet of any storm drain inlet. **PLEASE DO NOT PUT BRUSH AND YARD DEBRIS IN WITH THE LEAVES**, it will not be collected. Brush pick up and chipping will start back up in May. If you have brush or other yard debris out at this time, please relocate it to your back yard. You can return it to the curb in May.

Residents are invited to take advantage of free scrap metal recycling

offered by the Town. Recycling dumpsters are located at the Town's Waste Water Treatment Plant (2 Ramsey Road), and are open Monday through Friday from 7AM – 3PM and Saturday & Sunday from 6AM—8AM.

The garbage collection services that are provided by the Town are for residential customers only, not commercial entities. Commercial entities are required to arrange for private collection.

NOTE: The trash cans located throughout the Town are for trash generated by pedestrians enjoying the Town, not for commercial or residential use.

There are many different ways to learn about what is going on in the Town of Clinton as well as the entire County. We recommend visiting the following websites and signing up for e-mail updates:

Town of Clinton – www.clintonnj.gov

Town of Clinton Police Department - www.clintonjpolice.com

Clinton First Aid and Rescue Squad - www.clintonems.org

Clinton Fire Department - www.clintonfd.org

Hunterdon County - www.co.hunterdon.nj.us

Hunterdon County Dept. of Public Safety - www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/911

Additionally, several of the entities above have separate Facebook pages; feel free to “Like” them.

Affordable Housing

If you know anyone who may be eligible to qualify for affordable housing for purchase please visit the Clerk's Office to fill out an application. These units offer a valuable opportunity for income qualified participants to become homeowners in Clinton. We encourage anyone looking for affordable housing to get “pre-qualified” through the Town so when units become available, you are ahead in the process.

For those applicants interested in the affordable housing units for rent, the complexes themselves take care of the applications. For the Halstead Street Apartments, please call 908-526-6069 or go to www.halsteadplace.com for more information. For the Town Ponds Apartment Complex please call 732-892-4292.

For more information on affordable housing, please visit the Town's website at http://www.clintonnj.gov/affordable_housing.html.



RESIDENT ADVISORY

NO PARKING WHEN ROADS ARE SNOW COVERED on any street in the Town of Clinton between the hours of 2 AM and 6 AM from November 15th to April 1st, except on Main Street and East Main Street where the hours are 11 PM to 6 AM.

Snow & Ice are to be removed from sidewalks, parking areas and rights of way used by the public, by the owner / occupant of premises within 12 hours of daylight after the snow falls or ice forms.

Police Department by Chief R. Brett Matheis



WINTER ON-STREET OVERNIGHT PARKING

From November 15th to April 1st parking is prohibited on all streets in the Town between the hours of 2am and 6am parking when ***“snow has fallen and the accumulation is such that it covers the public road, street or highway”***. Vehicles parked in violation of this ordinance are subject to be towed and ticketed to facilitate snow removal operations. If you are in doubt about the weather forecast, we suggest that you play it safe and move your vehicles off-street. **If you have special parking needs or your vehicle is disabled during this period please contact the police department immediately so that we are aware and can try to accommodate your needs BEFORE you get a summons or get towed.**

WINTER OFF-STREET PUBLIC PARKING WHEN SNOW IS FORECAST

Overnight off-street public parking is available in the Water Street Lot, the

Lower Center Street Lot, the Municipal Building Lot and in authorized spaces in the Firehouse Parking Lot. **Please remember however that the Water Street, Municipal Building and Firehouse Parking Lots are 24 hour lots and your vehicle must be moved after each 24 hour period to facilitate snow removal.** **If you have any questions please ask a police officer prior to making any assumptions regarding parking in these lots.**

SNOW REMOVAL FROM SIDEWALKS

So that school children and adult pedestrians can find safe passage on our sidewalks, Ordinance 115-1 requires that the owner or tenant of property abutting or adjacent to a sidewalk must remove all snow and ice from that sidewalk or public right-of-way within 12 hours of daylight from the time that the snow or frozen precipitation ceased to fall or accumulate.

Lessons learned from years past about snow/ice removal in Clinton include:

1. Its much EASIER to remove the snow/ice IMMEDIATELY after it ceases to fall than it is after it melts and re-freezes.
2. Don't count on the snow or ice melting and disappearing by itself within 12 hours of daylight after it ceased to fall (see lesson #1 above).
3. It is illegal to deposit snow or ice from your sidewalk or driveway onto the street after the street has been plowed. We highly recommend that you shovel the snow away from the street and not into it. You will be reported by the Public Works Department and you will receive a summons if you are caught doing this.
4. There are many seniors in Town who find it difficult if not impossible to shovel their sidewalks and driveways, so help a neighbor who may need it. This is also a great opportunity for teenage entrepreneurs to make some extra spending money. If you would like to be contacted to help someone in need of shoveling assistance please contact the Clerk's Officer at the municipal building.

Santa Claus is coming to Town.... Clinton Town, that is.



Santa will visit the various areas of Town on the Clinton Fire Truck from 7pm - 9pm:



<u>Neighborhood</u>	<u>Date</u>
Alton Place, Haver Farm Rd, Leigh St	12/18 (Monday)
Center St, Halstead St, Fairview Ave, Rachel Ct	12/20 (Wednesday)
West Main St, The Knolls, Albert & Patrick St. (Union)	12/21 (Thursday)



HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE HOLIDAY



Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad by Bucky Buchanan



New High-Tech Heavy Rescue Truck Coming to Clinton First Aid and Rescue Squad

Clinton First Aid and Rescue Squad will soon add a new heavy rescue truck to its vehicle fleet. Heavy Rescue 455 not only replaces two trucks - one 14 years old, one 18 years old - it has modern technology and capabilities that its predecessors did not.

Heavy Rescue 455 has multiple access points for hydraulic rescue tools, commonly called the Jaws of Life. These tools are faster, stronger, and about 10 pounds lighter than our earlier models, which helps combat rescuer fatigue. The new tools are also better able to cut the newer materials from which cars are now built.

The new heavy rescue vehicle has a compressed air foam system for vehicle fires, giving CFARS a new capabil-

ity of suppressing fires at motor vehicle accidents if the fire department has not arrived. It can also fill the air bottles that firefighters wear.

Newer engine technology makes the new truck more environmentally friendly than the old ones.

LED flood lighting around the vehicle and two, 25 foot light towers that extend from the roof help light night scenes for the safety of both patients and our EMTs.

The decision to purchase the heavy rescue truck was guided by the Vehicle Replacement Plan guidelines that are part of Clinton First Aid & Rescue's Management Plan. The guidelines are in place to assure that the vehicles we use to respond to emergencies are always in good condition.

While the Pierce Company builds the truck, Clinton has been using a

"loaner" heavy rescue lent to CFARS by Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus in Alabama. CFARS will return it after the new unit is in service.

Heavy Rescue 455 weighs 64,000 pounds and is 43 feet long. The truck cost \$937,000, but with discounts from Pierce and sale of our old Heavy Rescue, it cost the Squad \$637,000, paid for by community donations that have been saved over many years to fund vehicle replacement. Thanks to all who have supported us!

Vehicle delivery is expected in February 2018.

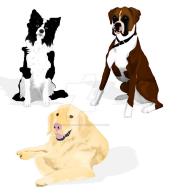
Find this kind of life-saving technology appealing? Consider joining CFARS! Visit www.joinclintonems.com.

CAT & DOG LICENSING



ATTENTION ALL RESIDENTS: All cats and dogs are required to be licensed in the Town of Clinton, even in-door pets. Fees for 2018 are as follows:

Spayed/neutered dogs \$10.20; Non-spayed/neutered dogs \$13.20; spayed/neutered cats \$7.00; Non-spayed/neutered cats \$10.00 Licenses renewed after January 31st are subject to late fees of \$4.00 for each delinquent month. Every year we send letters, make phone calls, and as a last resort police will issue summons to residents who have not licensed their pets. A summons may cost \$80, plus the cost of licenses and late fees!



We will mail a renewal notice in December for dogs and cats that were licensed this year, so please return them by January 31st. If you need an application for a pet not licensed this year, you can print it off our website at http://clintonnj.gov/forms/Clerk/PET_LICENSE.pdf or stop into the Clerk's office at 43 Leigh Street.

FREE RABIES CLINIC SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 2018

AT THE CLINTON BARN 8:00AM TO 11:00AM

(All dogs must be on a leash and all cats must be in a carrier)



Town of Clinton Board of Health

DOG-WASTE STATIONS

The Town has installed three dog waste bag dispensers; one at the bridge by the Clinton House, one at Hunts Mill Park and one by the fence at the Community Center. Once properly bagged, dog waste can be disposed of in general garbage receptacles throughout Town.





**SANTA CLAUS
IS COMING TO
TOWN OF
CLINTON**



SATURDAY DECEMBER 16, 2017

10am-2pm

He would love to arrive at your house on a fire truck and deliver presents to your children!!!

Simply fill out this form and bring it with the wrapped gifts to the Clinton Fire Station on Monday, December 11th from 6:00-8:00 pm.

The station is located at 1 New St. on the corner of Old Highway.

A donation of \$35.00 per household is suggested. Please keep in mind the Clinton Fire Department is an all-volunteer department and relies on fundraisers and donations from the community to keep our equipment in good working condition.

First come, first serve. Our limit is 25 families.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Parents' Names: _____

Child's Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Address: _____

Cell Number: _____

Any questions please email Liz Hedden at ehedden@cpsnj.org

This event is for Clinton Town residents only.

Clinton Conservancy by Kathy Madden



Clinton Conservancy Gardens

Time to review, celebrate and look forward to next spring. The Clinton Conservancy and 100+ volunteers worked on completing the gardens at Water Street Park by planting 20 trees and shrubs, 29 wildflower plants, over 270 grasses, ferns and perennials, and over 1,400 flower bulbs.

Plants, as well as soil and mulch, were purchased with most of the \$5,000 of the \$10,000 grant awarded to the Town through the efforts of Clinton Conservancy Gardens and Clinton Green Team. Lowe's donated much of the mulch and delivered it free of charge and Holiday Inn donated two large dogwood trees.

The first to thank are volunteers

from Clinton Presbyterian Church for cleaning up the park by removing a years worth of branches, trash and mountains of leaves. Prior to the first planting, Conservancy members did a follow up clearing of branches and trash. Then the Boy Scouts planted the rivers edge with grasses and perennials while Clinton Green Team, Country Garden Club and Conservancy members planted trees, shrubs, ferns, and wildflowers. Clinton Fire Department watered the park the first week of October and the Girl Scouts planted most of the bulbs with the help of the Conservancy and Country Garden Club members on October 7th. Two weeks later the Sierra Club, Clinton Presbyterian Church volunteers, Country Garden Club, and Conservancy members planted a large monarch waystation/ butterfly garden at the far end of Water Street Park and when they fin-

ished planting *that* area of the park, continued planting more bulbs.

We look forward to spring when everything is in bloom. The many volunteers will be rewarded by seeing and enjoying the beauty of the park for years to come and knowing they had a hand in creating a wildlife sanctuary for birds, bees, butterflies and other pollinators. Spring will also be the time for the Conservancy to start planting butterfly gardens along the fitness trail at Hunts Mill Park. If you would like to help please sign up on the Conservancy web site.

Besides pictures of volunteers who helped this year, clintonconservancygardens.com contains information for planting your own butterfly garden including plans, plants and source listings, and other pertinent information. Check it out.

Shade Tree Commission by Deena Roberts



As Christmas times comes along and you are struggling to find that perfect gift that will endure and not just get put away and forgotten about and

eventually thrown away, or you are thinking about your missed loved ones, consider planting a tree in someone's honor. Donate to Clinton's Shade Tree and we will plant a tree dedicated to

your loved one. If interested or have questions, please contact Deena Roberts via the Clinton Clerk's Office.

MEALS ON WHEELS "DRIVERS NEEDED"

Meals on wheels in Hunterdon needs volunteer drivers in your area. Serve your homebound senior neighbors a hot noontime meal. The commitment to drive is only once a month. It will take only an hour or tow to complete a route in your neighborhood.

Call our office at 908-284-0735 or www.mowih.org to offer your time.

The purpose for which this corporation is organized is to assist the homebound elderly / disabled of Hunterdon County maintain their independence and improve their health by delivering nutritious meals thereby avoiding unwanted institutionalization.



LEAF COLLECTION



Mid October & Continues till the New Year Rake leaves to curb. No Bags. There will be no chipping during this time.

(Brush / Chipping will not start till May 2018)



Council Highlights by Nancy Burgess

August 27, 2017

~ Harvey Finkel, of Clinton Book Shop, updated Mayor and Council on the plans for the 3rd annual Apple and Pumpkin Festival to be held October 1.

~ Mayor Kovach distributed a memo from Marc Saluk, Director of Hunterdon County Economic Development Division. The memo was a summary and proposal geared towards bringing business and developers to the area.

~ A resolution was adopted to authorize the engineer to submit application to the State Historic Preservation Office for the Route 173 Intersection and Main Street Improvement Project.

September 12, 2017

~ Mayor Kovach received a letter of resignation and retirement from Wayne Smith, DPW and Road Foreman employed for 38 years with the Town. Mayor and Council accepted with regret and he will be missed.

~ Haley Johnson made a request to help raise awareness to Lyme Disease by hanging green ribbons on Main Street in Clinton.

~ An Ordinance was introduced to promote a Government Energy Aggregation program which would allow residents of Clinton to get lower electric rates in a risk free approach.

~ Discussion was made regarding Hunterdon County Fire Chief's proposal to have Hunterdon County Freeholders hire paid firefighters to cover the lack of fire personnel available during the daytime hours and placing staff at three locations in the county.

~ Mr. Phelan, Business Administrator, reported he is working on an agreement to bring the electronic recycling dumpster back to Town.

~ Councilman Smith reported the Sunrise Rotary is interested in installing two bike racks in separate locations in Main Street area.

~ Councilwoman Sosidka reported the Hunterdon Soccer Club is interested in re-surfacing the fields, regrading,

and restoring sod at no cost to the Town.

September 26, 2017

~ Second grade teachers, Liz Hedden and Cassie Rudd, presented a slideshow showing statistics of homelessness and the need for socks. The 2nd graders will be trying to collect 1000 new pairs of socks for the needy during the month of October. They are requesting Mayor and Council's support.

~ A motion was made to appoint Richard Miller of Georges Place as the Town Historian.

~ A motion was made to appoint John Kashwick of Water Street to the Shade Tree Commission.

~ A proclamation was presented to Stan Prator of JCP&L and Glenn King, Executive Director of Freedom House to raise awareness about opiate abuse in NJ and takes steps to prevent addiction. October 6 is to be recognized as "Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day" in Clinton.

~ Two resolutions were adopted to apply for grants with NJDOT for Union Road and Kings Crossing Loop.

~ Councilwoman Dineen reported the Historic Commission is working on preserving Clinton by recording documentaries of long time residents such as Gene DeCleene, Frank Hooper and his fire truck and Peter Osborne, formerly of the Red Mill Museum Village. Mark from Citispot will be filming the documentaries.

~ Councilman Carberry reported the Recreation Commission is considering extending the summer recreation program with additional experimental programs.

October 10, 2017

~ Mary Jo Kurtiak thanked Mayor Kovach for her assistance in getting the graffiti cleaned up under the bridge located on the Lansdown Trail.

~ Mayor Kovach offered to host a pizza party if the 2nd graders reach

their goal of collection 1000 pairs of socks for the homeless. Councilman Carberry and Pendergast offered host the dessert if goal achieved.

~ Mayor Kovach received a letter from the NJ General Assembly who adopted Assembly Resolution No. 216 which encourages NJ homeowners to plant native plants that support bee populations and creates a habitat for all pollinators.

~ Councilman Smith reported the electronics recycling will be returning to the Treatment Plant location following a few minor details.

~ A motion was approved to accept two new members to the Clinton Fire Department, Karen Mealy, Associate member and Braedon Monticello, Junior member.

~ Councilman Rylak expressed his concerns over the drug epidemic in our area and asked Council what can we do. Discussion followed.

October 23, 2017

~ Mayor Kovach introduced Attorney Tara St. Angelo of Gebhardt & Kiefer and Town Planner, Jim Kyle as the presenters of discussion on the Town of Clinton's affordable housing obligations imposed by the NJ Council on Affordable Housing. Many residents were there to voice their questions and concerns. Assemblyman Erik Peterson, Legislator in the 23rd District also addressed the room.

~ Mayor Kovach also introduced Captain Juan Colon of the NJ State Police to address the war on drugs.

November 2, 2017 Special Meeting

~ Mayor Kovach explained the reason for the meeting was to discuss with the Land Use Board options to meet the affordable housing obligations. Mayor and Council approved a Resolution for the Town to purchase the property located at 23 West Main St, Bl 25 Lot 19. The site will be 100% age restricted affordable housing units which would meet 29 affordable housing credits of the 57 the Town was required to build.

Around the Town by Caitlin Haughey

November 24 – December 10

Festival of Tree at Red Mill Museum



A showcase of beautifully decorated Christmas trees, wreaths, and centerpieces. These donated items will be available for you to bid on in a silent auction with proceeds benefitting the Red Mill Museum Village.

Friday, December 1

Clinton Guild's 31st Annual Christmas Parade



7:00 pm,
East Main Street, Main Street
& Center Street
Rain or Shine

A wonderful Clinton tradition with bands and over 40 floats! At 5:30pm Center Street will be closed to all non-parade traffic. At 6:30pm Lower Center, Main, East Main, New, George's Place, Halstead and Leigh Streets will be closed to traffic.

Streets will be open to thru traffic by 8:30pm.
For more info visit www.clintonchristmasparade.com

Saturday, December 2

Hunterdon Art Museum Dinner, "City Sidewalks"

6:00 pm, Hunterdon Art Museum
Five course dinner of classic holiday flavors
For more info visit
www.hunterdonartmuseum.org
or call (908)735-8415



Sundays, December 3, 9, 17

Santa Claus is coming to Town!

1pm - 3:00 pm,
Terrace of the Hunterdon Art Museum
Children will get a chance to look inside Santa's workshop and even see St. Nick himself!

Thursday, December 14

Candlelight Night



4:30 – 9:00 pm, Downtown
A night for strolling the streets of Clinton with the help of warm candlelight luminaria. Candlelight Night is an opportune time to find a special gift or two for friends, family, or even yourself!

Saturday, December 16

Santa visits your home!

Between 10:00 am–2:00 pm
The first 25 families to register can have Santa come to their homes on the fire truck!
Participating families need to deliver wrapped gifts to the Clinton Fire Department on Monday, December 11 between 6:00-8:00 pm for Santa to pass out to the family.
This is a fundraiser for Clinton Fire Department and a \$35.00 donation per family is suggested.
Email Liz Hedden at ehedden@cpsnj.org for additional information.

December 18th, 20th, 21st

Santa travels through neighborhoods on a Big Red Firetruck

Santa will visit areas of Town ushered by the Clinton Fire Department
Come out and greet Santa in front of your own house and get a candy cane.
(See page 4 for areas & times)



Saturday, January 13, 2018

Free Rabies Clinic

8am – 11:00 am, 43 Leigh Street

Bring your dog or cat, leashed or caged please, for a free rabies vaccine. The clinic is held in the red barn behind the municipal building at 43 Leigh Street.

Saturday, January TBD, 2018

Clinton Town Bonfire

6:00 pm, Hunts Mill Park
Horse and carriage rides, live music, hot chocolate, cookies and a huge bonfire!
Rain date: January TBD



Sunday, February 11

HAM It Up!

1:00 – 4:00 pm,
Hunterdon Art Museum
FREE family event
with crafts and entertainment
For information call 908-735-8415

Clinton Public School News

Town of Clinton, December 2017



The mission of Clinton Public School is to inspire our students to become contributing members of society who are independent, innovative, life-time learners equipped with the necessary skills to meet the demands of our ever-changing world.

Notes from the Board

Brendon McIsaac (President), Craig Sowell (Vice President), Lorainne Linfante, Carl Sabatino, Charles Sampson

The Holiday season is upon us once more. One year ago the Clinton Glen Gardner Board of Education asked for a received your support for the project that has resulted in new lighting throughout the school and a revitalization of the library into a learning commons and makerspace. This fall we had our grand opening attended by mayors Kovach and Schroeter and Hunterdon County economic developer Marc Sulak who is helping the district to partner with other schools and local industry and integrate technology with authentic learning opportunities for our students. These efforts speak directly to our mission to create creative and curious students empowered to build their future. Additionally, the theme at the school this year is service and our children have been involved in a variety of service projects from collecting socks to honoring veterans to delivering Meals on Wheels and even working to develop prosthetics using 3D printing technology. All of these activities tie to the third component of our mission which is compassion. The Board of Education would like to thank the entire community for its ongoing support to provide the best education for our children and to wish you and your families all the best during the holiday season.

Sincerely,
The Board of Education



MakerSpace Grand Opening



Honoring our Veterans!

10 School Street, Clinton, New Jersey 08809 • 908-735-8512
Dr. Seth Cohen, Superintendent / Principal • Lisa Craft, Business Administrator
Jacqueline Evans-Turner, Assistant Principal / Curriculum Coordinator • Jenine Kastner, Supervisor of Special Services
www.cpsnj.org

CPS in the News

From the Superintendent/Principal

Dr. Seth Cohen

As we embrace our theme of service for the 2017-2018 school year you will notice the level of student engagement at an all time high! The second grade team collected socks for several homeless organizations, amassing over 100 pairs while involving the larger Clinton-Glen Gardner community. The fourth grade students are currently collecting gently used books for the Bridge of Books Foundation, the seventh grade students are participating in the Hunterdon County Meals on Wheels program coordinated by Mrs. Crespo and the student council is in the middle of a holiday food drive! Save the date on February 28, 2018 from 5:30-7:30 as Mrs. Lauricella and others raise awareness and funds to combat hunger through the Empty Bowl project. Stop by for wonderful soup and to purchase a teacher or student created ceramic bowl! #CPS Pride

Our staff is working hard to apply for grants to supplement and extend opportunities for our students. We are proud to report that we have received several for the 17-18 school year. Mrs Brenner provided the following grant award update: We were awarded \$5,000 from BASF to fund our "Limb-gingering" project, where students will design, 3D print, and build prosthetic limbs. Students will donate the working prosthetic hands they build to children in need, and will expand upon the project to build other prosthetics. Students will also be exposed to local children, veterans, and other adults who have suffered from amputation or have congenital deformities. We were awarded \$500 from First Energy to fund our "Sewn Circuits" project. Students will learn how to create electric circuits with LED lights, and hand-sew them into wearables using conductive thread. We applied and received a very special art event grant from the NJEA entitled, "Mighty Fingers- Facing Change." An artist and a videographer will visit the school for one full day and work with middle school girls to inspire, empower, and connect them to the possibilities they have for their futures. The girls will celebrate their individuality by working through a guided-self portrait exercise, and feel the power of collaboration as they work together to design and execute the first ever global FingerSmear canvas entitled "Abundance" (www.mightyfingersfacingchange.org). The FingerSmear is a 5' x 10' canvas that has been touched by all of the participating girls, which has allowed them to add their own unique visual voice to the global canvas. Arts integration is alive at CPS!

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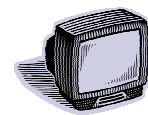
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BOARD OF RECREATION — 7:30 PM Third Thursday of each month

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