

OUR TOWN

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From the Mayor's Desk...

Janice Kovach



As we finish out 2018 I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Town of Clinton employees and volunteers for the dedication to this town. Their work

helps us (mayor and council) do our jobs better.

Reflecting on this past year I am grateful every day for the opportunity and honor you have given me to serve Clinton - while issues we deal with are not always easy and clear cut I hope that by having an open dialogue we can at least keep everyone aware of the conversations and hear your input. Please know that we always keep Clinton's interest first in our discussions - and while we don't always have answers we want - we at

least get some compromise.

Over the coming weeks I will have a complete update on the affordable housing litigation out in a letter to residents.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Councilman Al Rylak, Councilwoman Beth Sosidka and Councilman Marty Pendergast for their commitment to Clinton. We appreciate their years of service and wish them all the best.

Wishing all of you a happy, healthy and safe holiday season and a prosperous new year.

As always please feel free to reach out via cell 908-399-8921 or email jkovach@clintonnj.gov or to any of the council members.



**32ND ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS**

PARADE

FRIDAY,

DECEMBER 7TH

@ 7:00PM



**TOWN OF CLINTON
RESIDENTS**

**SEWER RATE
INCREASE FOR 2019**

**WILL BE \$125.00 PER
UNIT / QUARTER**

POLL WORKERS NEEDED

**County Clerk is looking
for poll workers for
voting places in
Hunterdon County**

**Anyone interested contact
the Board of Elections at
908-788-1190**

**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.

DOG OWNERS PLEASE CURB YOUR DOG



This means keeping your dog between the curb and sidewalk NOT on residential lawns!!!! Picking up after your dog is a law. Please DO NOT leave soiled bags on public property. Dispose of in garbage cans, either public cans or your own private cans. A summons can be issued with a fine of \$106 plus court fee of \$33.

Code Enforcement by Jack Daniels

The Town of Clinton Fire Prevention Office and Clinton Fire Department are currently working toward a partnership with the American Red Cross to provide smoke detectors through the American Red Cross's Home Fire Campaign. The plan is to kick this off in the Spring of 2019.

In an unprecedented, nationwide effort, the American Red Cross has launched the Home Fire Campaign to help save lives, reduce injuries, and build more resilient communities. The fire-year campaign aims to reduce the number of home fire-related injuries and fatalities in the United States by 25 percent.

There are three cornerstones to the Home Fire Campaign:

- ~ Door-to-door installation of smoke alarms and completion of home safety checklists and plans in vulnerable neighborhoods.
- ~ Engagement of youth in classrooms and after school with technology, challenges, and science-based education.
- ~ A marketing and public relations campaign to motivate people to check their smoke alarms and practice their family fire escape plan.

The Red Cross and our partners will do this by establishing local coalitions in communities all across America, including local fire departments, houses of worship, businesses, schools, after-school groups, public health departments, social service agencies, neighborhood leaders and others. These coalitions will support all elements of the strategy.

If anyone would like to speak to me regarding anything dealing with fire prevention, housing or code enforcement matters, please contact my office at 908-75-2275 or cell 908-486-1696. I would be happy to assist you in any way that I can.

Notice for Pet Owners

On October 12, 2018 all NJ Municipalities obtained a notification from the NJ Health Department regarding new requirements for all NJ Pet Licensing Clerks. All municipalities are required to distribute the laws to all dog owners. The link will be posted on the Town website and copies will be made available in the clerk's office for anyone who does not have access to a computer. Here is the link to the State website regarding Animal Cruelty Laws:

<https://www.state.nj.us/health/vph/>

Also e-mail addresses will be required for all pet owners. Please submit that information with your annual renewal in January 2019.



RABIES CLINIC

A free rabies clinic will be held Saturday, January 26th at the Town Municipal Barn from 8AM TO 11AM

This clinic is a joint effort with Clinton Township



Clinton Town 10th Annual Yuletide Bonfire

Saturday, January 19
(rain date Jan 26)

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 2019.
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.

LEAVE COLLECTION IN PROGRESS



Rake leaves to curb,
No Bags
Will continue till all
leaves are picked up.

Public Works / Bus. Administrator by Richard D. Phelan



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 nets 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.

Reminders

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.clintonnjpolice.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. 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 Twin 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.

Clinton Conservancy by Kathy Madden



Warmest greetings for the Holidays and the New Year.

This is the time when we look back over past accomplishments and look forward to new challenges. Members of the Conservancy, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Sierra Club, Rotary, Country Garden Club and many volunteers can look back with a sense of accomplishment and realize they helped plant 13 new pollinator gardens in Millview and Hunts Mills Parks. Your new challenges may include fitting in more “family time” and getting more exercise. You can accomplish both by adopting one of these gardens! You don't need any experience and you may expand your knowledge on gar-

dening. We'll help you every step of the way if need be.

Four of the 13 gardens will more or less take care of themselves with minimum effort.

Four larger (three, 20' x 35' and one, 130' x 6') and five smaller (13' x 6') will need occasional new plantings, weeding and watering. We are looking for an individual, groups or families to “adopt” and care for each one. If you or your group are interested in helping please go the Conservancy website clinton-conservancygardens.org and “volunteer”.

In appreciation, the Conservancy will provide a sign recognizing each volunteer at their adopted garden.

Photos of the gardens, listings of plants, garden designs, pictures of volunteers, and lots of other information is on the website.

The gardens were paid for by a \$10,000 grant from the Sustainable Jersey small grants program and funded by the PSEG Foundation. In-kind donations included trees and their planting, printing posters, signs and labels, machinery rental and refreshments. Paid-for labor was donated. We received discounts on topsoil, mulch and accessories. This all totaled \$2,490.63. 178 volunteers donated 762 hours to work on this project. At minimum wage that equaled \$6,553.20. A total for both – \$9,043.83 in-kind for the project! We thank all who helped.

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 Office at the municipal building.

CLINTON SUNRISE ROTARY DONATES BIKE STATION TO TOWN



The Clinton Sunrise Rotary recently donated a new state-of-the-art bicycle docking station to the Town of Clinton. It is a new system that prevents bikes from falling and causing damage to other parked bikes. It is located in the Lower Center Street parking lot. The organization hopes the racks will encourage the use of bicycles for both family recreation and transportation. This is just one of many wonderful items the Clinton Sunrise Rotary has done for the Town of Clinton.

WE APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOUR TEAM DOES!!!!

To learn more about The Rotary Club of Clinton Sunrise and the projects they do to support the community go to www.clintonsunriserotary.org



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.

Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad by Bucky Buchanan



UNTIL HELP ARRIVES

Life-threatening emergencies can happen fast and emergency responders, as hard as we try, are not always nearby. In recent news we've seen these tragedies unfold before our eyes. Lives are lost and injuries can be severe. You may be able to save a life by taking simple actions immediately. **YOU ARE THE HELP UNTIL HELP ARRIVES!**

The Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad, who is the provider of Emergency Medical & Rescue Services to our community, is looking to expand the knowledge of our community members by supplying FEMA's "Until Help Arrives" program to our residents, businesses and community groups into the new year. The first delivery will be held at our headquarters on Old Highway 22 on Wednesday December 12, 2018 at 6:00pm. There is no cost for this training, but pre-registration is required. Visit our website at <https://www.clintonems.org> and click on the UNTIL HELP ARRIVES link.

According to a recent National Academies of Science study, trauma is the leading cause of death for Americans under age 46. Life-threatening injuries require immediate action to pre-

vent an injured person from dying. Those nearest to someone with life-threatening injuries are best positioned to provide first care.

Learn how YOU can help by taking time for yourself and learn how as a member of our community, you can be better prepared by learning skills such as :

- Calling 9-1-1
- Safety
- Stop the Bleed – including Tourniquet application
- Positioning the injured
- Providing comfort
- Preparing to Help

"While we sometimes wish we had an ambulance stationed on every corner, ready to respond to your own or a family member's needs, that is not financially possible" remarks Frank Setnicky, Chief of the Clinton Squad. He continues "By better preparing our residents on how to react in those first few minutes until trained emergency responders do arrive, we hope to save lives".

The Squad offers a full range of additional emergency preparedness training programs, including CPR for the Community, basic first aid, safety lectures and tours for community group including Scout Troops, and much more. For additional information on our training programs, or to join our organization as a volunteer member, please visit <http://www.clintonems.org>

This program is presented through partnership with Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad by University Hospital Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response for free to residents of New Jersey. This course is graciously funded by a grant from the New Jersey DOH, Public Health Infrastructure, Laboratories & Emergency Preparedness Division



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, Fox Hill Rd, Haver Farm Rd, Leigh St Side streets off of Leigh, Halstead St, Rachel Ct	12/17 (Monday)
Center St, Fairview Ave, Georges Pl, Harrison St, West Main St, The Knolls, Albert & Patrick Dr. (Union)	12/19 (Wednesday)

Shade Tree Commission by Steve Kalleser



Christmas Trees and the Holiday Season

Given Dickens Days, the town tree-lighting, and the post-holiday bonfire, Christmas trees are a special cultural part of the Town. However, each year I get asked: are live trees better for the environment than artificial ones? The answer is almost certainly "yes," especially if you go to a local Christmas tree farm.

I grew up with artificial trees, having lived in a much more urban area before going off to college. And they were nice, but I started using live trees after I graduated, and there is just something about bringing the outdoors into your home that I find wonderful. And besides, it just smells like Christmas...

We are so lucky to live in a small town in a rural area. The scenic

nature of Hunterdon County and adjacent areas is just so special. Consider that if you buy your Christmas tree from a local farm, you are sending a message through the economy that you value that land as a farm, not as a future subdivision or a mini-mall. (You are also avoiding sending a message that you value the metal and plastic of an artificial tree, and the destruction of forests required to extract those raw materials.)

Some folks go out of their way to purchase a ball-and-burlap Christmas tree, that way they can plant it after the season is over. If you do so, good for you! Consider that if you plant an evergreen tree on the side of your house where the prevailing winds come from (but not in such a way to shade the house in the winter), you can save a significant amount in your home heating bill. Just also consider that nice little tree will get much wider over

time, so make sure you are planting it in a space where it can really spread its branches!

Lastly, a journey to the Christmas tree farm is great family time. Last year, we were loading up the tree and a few trucks pulled up and out came some folding tables and trays of food. So I asked the farmer what was going on. He told me that a few families had asked permission to "tailgate" cutting their Christmas tree. Maybe next year...

If you do use a live tree this year, your Shade Tree Commission asks you to watch how much water your tree drinks. Now consider how much water your street trees and park trees here in town drink!!! That is a lot of storm-water that we are avoiding sending down the storm sewers. Let's keep our town green!

**CLINTON FIRE DEPT
2018 SANTA PRESENT
DELIVERY**



SATURDAY DECEMBER 15, 2018

10am-2pm

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

**The registration form can be found on the Clinton Fire Department's web site: www.clintonfd.org
Simply fill it out and bring it with the wrapped gifts to the Clinton Fire Station
on Monday, December 10th from 6:00-8:00 pm.**

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.

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

This event is for Clinton Town residents only.

Recreation Commission by Beth Sosidka



Don't miss the Recreation Commission's Family Movie Night, Paddington Bear II will be shown on December 15th at the Clinton Firehouse at 6:30pm - Free Admission!

Also, be on the lookout for Santa riding on the fire truck coming through all the Clinton neighborhoods on December 17th and 19th. Come out and greet Santa to get your own treat. See flyers for more information on these fun events.

The 11th Annual Clinton Yuletide Bonfire is scheduled for January 19,

2019, more information to come. Volunteers are needed to help with this amazing community tradition— if interested in helping out for an hour, please contact Sean Rogan at seanira32@yahoo.com. The Recreation Commission's picnic committee is already busy planning the big event for next year – if interested in helping please contact Kim Rogan at kseigal@yahoo.com.

Past events that were fantastic and enjoyed by all include the annual Hooper Canoe Races held on October 14th, Symphony on the HAM terrace, and multiple movie nights. A big Thank You to the Friendly Sons of St.

Patrick for sponsoring the races and to all the volunteers. Winners all went home with trophies and bragging rights!

If there are other community or recreation events you'd like to see or help organize, please contact Chairwoman Rosemary Pendergast at rosemary3288@gmail.com. The Recreation Commission needs your participation, enthusiasm, and ideas – Get Involved and help continue to make Clinton the amazing family town that it is with the events that bring us together.

Historic Preservation Commission by Roger Mellick

The Historic Preservation Commission (CHPC) is currently planning a walking tour of the historic district. We are hopefully shooting for the springtime. Notification will go out and it will be on the town calendar. If anyone would like to

have some input about historic features of their particular structure/home, or it's history, please get in touch with The Commission.

The CHPC has also drafted guidelines for design and aesthetics for structures within the historic district. This

would only be guidelines, and as yet have not been adopted by town council. The Commission's hope would be that these guidelines would be adopted and become part of the Master Plan.

IDENT-A-SHRED

Sponsored by Hunterdon County Clerk and Hunterdon County Freeholders
Location: County Complex, Route 12 Flemington
E-mail: co.hunterdon.nj.us/countyclerk.htm or call 908-788-1214
for more information.



HUNTERDON COUNTY

HAZARDOUS WASTE & ELECTRONIC COLLECTION

Route 12 County Complex Call 908-788-1110 9am to 1pm
Electronic Date: TBA Hazardous Waste Dates: March 9, 2019



DID YOU KNOW:

- ~ Properly (re) sealed **paint cans** could have a shelf life of 10 years.
- ~ **Alkaline batteries** now fall below Federal & State hazardous waste standards & can be disposed of in the regular trash.
- ~ Don't use rechargeable batteries in your **smoke detector**, buy new. Check your smoke detector twice a year.
- ~ **Flat screen TV & Computer Monitors** can be recycled at most electronic retail stores.

DISPOSAL OPTIONS FOR ELECTRONICS

- ~ Best Buy: www.bestbuy.com
- ~ Staples: www.staples.com
- ~ Goodwill Industries: <http://reconnectpartnership.com>
- ~ Facilities:
www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/lrm/uwaste/ucomplist.htm
- ~ EPA:
www.epa.gov/epawaste/conserves/materials/ecycling/donate.htm

Council Highlights by Caitlin Haughey

August 14, 2018

- Council passed a resolution in support of the county submitting an application requesting federal funding for rehabilitation of the N-1 bridge on Main Street. It will take approximately one year to hear from the federal government if they will approve the grant application.

-Council passed a resolution authorizing Andrew Holt of Suburban Consulting Engineers to provide engineering services and advice relating to the Planning and Design needs associated with the Water Quality and Accountability Act.

- Council passed a resolution appointing Jerome St. John as mediator in the matter of the Borough of High Bridge and Clinton Township Sewerage Authority v. Town of Clinton.

- Council approved the permanent appointment of Bryan Lauber to the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

- Council passed a resolution declaring September 2018 as National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month.

August 28, 2018

-Council accepted the resignation of crossing guard Deb Schaeffer.

-Council approved hiring of Jennifer Frohlick as crossing guard.

-Council approved hiring of Eric Arnold of The Liquor License Company as a special appraiser in connection with the value of liquor licenses.

-Mayor Kovach addressed questions from the public regarding Clinton Township's proposal to build 140 apartment units which would require a change in the Township's zoning in order to satisfy their affordable housing requirements. Mayor Kovach explained that the Town has not made any commitments for any services to this project. She urged residents concerned with this project to attend the

public hearing on September 12, 2018 in Clinton Township.

-Councilwoman Sosidka reported that the Board of Recreation will hold two more movie nights at Gebhardt field, and also present the Whitehouse Wind Symphony on the patio of the Hunterdon Art Museum.

September 11, 2018

- Council meeting began with recognition of the 17th anniversary of the attacks on September 11, 2001, and included patriotic performances by the Clinton Public School 8th grade band.

-Council approved a special event application for the annual Run O'the Mill 5k on March 9, 2019.

-Council approved a request to close Main Street on Saturday, October 6 for the Superhero Sprint children's run being held in conjunction with the Main Street Half Marathon the following day.

-Council approved Dennis Allen as a fire inspector.

September 25, 2018

- Council approved a special event application for the 32nd annual Christmas Parade to be held Friday, December 7, 2018.

- Council approved two resolutions to submit grant applications to NJDOT for the Union Road improvement project, and Georges Place roadway improvement.

-Council approved the appointment of John Creech to the Economic Development Commission.

-Council received notification from the NJ Department of Agriculture to be aware of the Spotted Lanternfly, an invasive pest. For more information visit the NJ Department of Agriculture website.

October 9, 2018

-Council accepted, with regret, the resignation of Sharon (Bittenmaster) Green from the Board of Health after 22 years as she is moving away.

-Council accepted, with regret, the resignation of Patty Smeltzer, Chair of the Environmental Commission.

-Council passed a resolution in support of the JCP&L Reliability Plus program designed to make their electric distribution system more resistant to outages. The program includes approximately \$400 million in targeted investments in addition to their regular annual investments. This program will increase the monthly bill for an average user by 26 cents per month for the first 6 months and up to \$1.89 per month by the end of the 4 year program.

-Council passed a resolution authorizing the sale of a hotel liquor license that shall be sold at auction with a minimum bid of \$260,000 for a hotel containing at least 100 rooms.

-Councilwoman Sosidka reported that the Environmental Commission appointed John Madden as chair.

October 23, 2018

-Mayor Kovach reported that she talked to NJDOT regarding the excessive noise of the Route 78 overpass of Leigh Street. NJDOT will pull up the plates on the highway and put rubber gaskets underneath to help alleviate the noise.

November 27, 2018

- Mayor Kovach presented a proclamation to the North Hunterdon High School Girls Varsity Volleyball team to congratulate them on being the NJSIAA Group 4 State Champions!

-Council approved a special event application for the Red Mill Santacon 8K on Saturday, December 22, 2018.

Around the Town by Caitlin Haughey

Through December 9

Festival of Trees at the Red Mill Museum Village

A showcase of beautifully decorated Christmas trees, wreaths, and centerpieces. These donated items are available for you to bid on in a silent auction.

For more info visit <https://theredmill.org/> or call (908) 735-4101

Wednesday, December 5

Clinton Menorah Lighting

6:30 pm, Hunterdon Art Museum Terrace
Annual family event to light the outdoor menorah

Friday, December 7

Clinton Guild's 32nd Annual Christmas Parade

7:00 pm,
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. For more info visit: www.clintonchristmasparade.com

Saturday, December 8

Hunterdon Art Museum Dinner "Sequins, Sparkle and Lace"

7:00 pm, Hunterdon Art Museum
Multi-course dinner served in the
Art Museum Gallery

For more info visit www.hunterdonartmuseum.org
or call (908)735-8415



Thursday, December 13

Candlelight Night

5:00 – 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 15

Santa visits your home! Fundraiser for Clinton Fire Department, \$35 suggested donation. The first 25 families can have Santa come on the fire truck and deliver gifts to their families between 10:00 am–2:00 pm.

Email Liz Hedden at ehedden@cpsnj.org for additional information.



Sunday, December 16

Santa Claus is coming to Town!

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

Saturday, December 22

The Run Before Christmas, Santa Con 8K

8 – 11:00 am, Red Mill Museum Village
Family friendly run focused on fun and the spirit of the season. Holiday attire required!

No registration fee!

Register at <http://santacon8k.itsyourrace.com/>

Saturday, January 26, 2019

Free Rabies Clinic

8 – 11:00 am, 43 Leigh St.

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

Saturday, January 19, 2019

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 26



February 7 – February 14, 2019

Sweethearts Week

5:00 – 9:00 pm, Downtown

Enjoy Valentines related festivities in town



Sunday, February 10, 2019

HAM It Up!

1:00 – 4:00 pm, Hunterdon Art Museum
FREE family event with crafts and entertainment.

Visit <https://hunterdonartmuseum.org/> or call (908) 735-8415 for more information.

Sunday, March 10, 2019

St. Patrick's Day Parade

3:00 - 5:00 pm, Downtown

Annual parade sponsored by the Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick.

Visit <https://www.fssphunterdon.com/> for more information.



Clinton Public School News

Town of Clinton, December 2018



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:

Brendan McIsaac, (President), Craig Sowell (Vice President), Carl Sabatino, Lorraine Linfante, and Ashutosh Tewari

As we enter the holiday season, giving thanks is always at the fore of our minds. Clinton Public School is a school whose mission is to create caring, curious, and compassionate students. We recognize the value of tradition and this year have focused the school's theme and goals around community.

In addition to long standing events like the Halloween parade and seasonal concerts, staff have been establishing new community projects and partnerships. Students have been supporting and celebrating veterans through breakfasts and letters to troops. Projects like Grow-a-Row or Meals on Wheels engage our students in service to the community while Family Fitness Night and Project Lit. bring families together in positive and supportive ways. During the school day, students have created community pamphlets and made and read books to one another to connect our older and younger students.

New projects for this year include the development of sculptures for our courtyards using cutting edge technology; decorative murals to promote positive messages; a new arts performance academy with RVCC, Readington, and Union Township; and partnering with the high school to strengthen math and language arts preparedness and explore more diverse world language opportunities.

As a district we remain committed to new and enriching learning for students as well as fiscal responsibility. As such, we continue to dialogue with surrounding school boards and districts to explore innovative projects and partnerships that could welcome new students and new possibilities to our unique school. We would also like to welcome Dr. Ashutosh Tewari who has recently joined the board of education in service to this community. As always, we invite you to attend our meetings and share your ideas and perspectives. We wish you and your families all the best during this season.



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Dr. Seth Cohen, Superintendent / Principal • Bernadette Wang, 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 enter the winter months of 2018-2019 I would like to wish everyone a warm and safe holiday season. Over the past few months we have continued to work hard to improve the student, staff, and community experience at Clinton Public School. Our staff identified and modified public spaces to impress upon students how important, special, and loved they are! We are happy to report the evolution of an arts integration project spearheaded by Mrs. Lauricella. Over the summer our CPS Arts Integration Team spent several days at Princeton University and one of the workshops highlighted kinetic sculptures. Mrs. Lauricella researched and developed the following project/grant outline and we are happy to report that we were awarded \$5,000 from BASF, \$2,500 from Arts Ed NJ, SANDS Foundation, FEA and additional support from our wonderful CPS PTO! Students will work with an artist to build kinetic sculptures designed to harvest rainwater for use in watering plants and crops in a currently underused school courtyard. Our students will:

Apply principles of physics and engineering to art, utilizing creative problem solving as they collaborate between art and science

- Explore the potential of movement and sound in kinetic sculptures
- Engage with systems, energy sources, and design issues present in creating a workable, moving sculpture
- Foster mechanical automata - incorporating hand-cranked mechanisms built and assembled through the use of laser printers and 3D printers and their accompanying software
- Collaborate with the school's Green Team to clean up the courtyard, transform the space into a more functional learning center, and use collected recyclables in conjunction with the sculptures
- Work closely with engineers and a kinetic sculpture artist in residence

Use collected rainwater to water lettuce, plants, and other nutritious crops to be consumed by community members

Important Dates Winter 2018

12/5 Social Media & Internet Safety Parent Presentation *Don't Press Send* 6:30 p.m. in the Bulldog Gymnasium

12/6 Grade 4 Musical *The Highlight Zone* in the APR

12/8 Raritan Valley Community College Winter Concert Featuring CPS Students @ RVCC

12/12 Clinton-Glen Gardner Board of Education Meeting 7:00 p.m. CPS Media Center

12/18 CPS Winter Concert 7:00 p.m. in the Bulldog Gymnasium

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Calendar of Town Committee Meetings at Municipal Bldg.

ASSESSOR — Office Hours are: Tuesday 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM Saturday 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM
(call the office at 908-735-8616 prior to stopping in)

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

COUNCIL MEETING — 7:30 PM Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION — 7:30 PM Second Monday of each month

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE — 6:30 PM Third Wednesday of each month

LAND USE BOARD — 7:00 PM First and Third Tuesday of each month

SHADE TREE COMMISSION — 7:00 PM Second Monday of each month

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION — 7:30 PM Second Wednesday of each month

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