

OUR TOWN

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From the Mayor's Desk...

Janice Kovach



I never thought I would see the spring after the winter we experienced but here we are and I couldn't be happier. The true test of spring is not just the gardening but the many residents I see out and about that are no longer hibernating – or maybe I was just hibernating and that's why I didn't see anyone!

Just a few highlights of what has been going on over the last few months – we have officially kicked off our planning for Clinton's 150th celebration, which will be in 2015. If you are interested in helping the committee, please reach out to the municipal building, Megan Jones-Holt or Beth Sosidka, I am sure that all help and ideas will be greatly appreciated.

Just a reminder that since it is spring and we are beginning to clean our

yards – check the brush clean up schedule with the municipal office – we are working to get the schedule up on the website as well. Spring clean up also brings us to the town wide yard sale that is always held the first Saturday of June and will be June 7th this year. Last year's yard sales were a huge success for many and hopefully all benefited. If you have not yet registered please do so and you will be included on the map that is available. In addition to the yard sale on the 7th – it is also the date of the town wide picnic at Hunts Mill Park. Hopefully you can join us for what will definitely be another great event with the fireworks the finale of the evening. The rain date will be the following Saturday, June 14th. If you are unsure check the website or Facebook page to confirm if the picnic is on.

Memorial Day weekend kicked off the music on Main Street this year – every Friday evening there are any number of

bands, musicians and all types of music. Come down enjoy a coffee, ice cream, dinner, shopping or just some time visiting with family, friends and neighbors. The great weather offers an opportunity to check out the many small businesses downtown – there are new friends to be made and old friends to be re-acquainted with – and many activities that make Clinton so special.

As always please feel free to reach out to me or any of the council members with questions or concerns. I will wish everyone in advance a Happy 4th of July and a happy, safe and healthy summer.



CLINTON TOWN PICNIC

**SATURDAY JUNE 7th
COME JOIN IN ON THE FESTIVITIES!!!**

Music, Games and Fireworks
3:00 PM to Dusk @ Hunts Mill Park
(Rain Date June 14th)

TOWN WIDE GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY JUNE 7th

9am to 2pm

Rain or Shine



CLINTON HOSTS 19TH CENTURY BASEBALL GAME

**JUNE 8TH 11:00 AM
GEBHARDT FIELD (COMMUNITY CENTER)**

1st Game using baseball rules of 1864 & 2nd game using baseball rules of 1873
Come out and enjoy a fun filled day of old fashion baseball. Admission: Free



Code Enforcement by Jack Daniels

It's that time of the year again; after the long tough winter, our thoughts turn to the outdoors and the activities associated with this time of year. School is ending, vacations are planned for, picnics, barbeques, graduations, parties, etc. To be safe, plan your summer to include planning what to do if a disaster strikes you, your family, your home;

Are You Prepared?

There is a lot to be said for pre-planning, but especially when it comes to life safety events for you and your family. These events can include floods, fires, medical emergencies or high wind events. Consider reviewing the following throughout your summer planning activities;

Fires: Do not attempt to fight a fire yourself, call 911 to start the emergency notification system & get everyone out or away of the place where the fire is (house, car, grill on a deck); really practice fire drills including 2 ways out, crawl low as if there is smoke above you, have the kids show you how to crawl down stairs, have a meeting spot for everyone to gather at once outside; have a copy of your vital and very important papers/documents stored in a safe place somewhere besides your home (you can scan and save the documents onto a flash drive or an off site server).

Floods: Most importantly, never enter flood waters, you have no clue as to the swiftness of the water or what may be within it unseen; if flooding is reported to be a possibility, move

items to higher elevations if possible, block openings with plastic and sand bags, if necessary evacuate especially if asked to do so by the authorities, gather any necessary medicines and again have your important documents all ready to grab and go.

Medical Emergencies: There are so many variables that involve medical situations but it is very important that you try to remain calm and do not panic, call 911 to start the emergency notification system, depending on the type of emergency protect yourself 1st and then if possible help the person in trouble, take a CPR course at some point, become familiar with the signs of a stroke and heart attack as seconds can count in these situations. Sometimes just being there to provide comfort may be enough, you cannot know everything to do for these types of emergencies but even the littlest thing can help, calling 911 is the most important in this case.

High Wind Events: as with the other natural disaster situation, knowing where to go and what to take with you may be the only thing that can protect you. Since power typically goes out, make certain you have flashlights that work and are charged. Check ahead of time if the trees in your yard are old or diseased and subject to falling during these storms. When at home, stay away from the windows, when in your car seek shelter under an overpass, watch for downed wires and never attempt to drive over them, try to travel on major highways and avoid back roads, and do not leave your place of shelter during high winds unless absolutely necessary.

Vacations: When on vacation and away from home or traveling, think through what you should do in case of an emergency. You are at the greatest risk of being separated from your family or injured because you are not familiar with your environment. Find at least 2 exits out of your hotel and the town that you are staying in. Discuss where to meet if you get separated and know the local emergency telephone number for where you are staying. Listen and follow any directions given and remember to gather your important travel documents such as passports or other identification, medicines, spending money and health insurance information cards.

There are many websites that offer assistance in preparation for emergencies such as <http://www.nfpa.org/safety-information/for-consumers/emergency-preparedness>, <http://www.usfa.fema.gov/citizens/> or simply do a google search; <https://www.google.com/#q=emergency+preparedness>. Good Luck and always remember that an emergency does not have to ruin a vacation if you have thought about "what it" and planned ahead.

If anyone would like to speak to me regarding anything of concern, please contact my office at 908-735-2275 or via cell @ 908-468-1696. I would be happy to assist you in any way that I can.

Historic Commission by Richard Miller

The Town of Clinton is fortunate to have so many wonderful historic homes; from Federal era properties to the "painted ladies" of the Victorian era. The Historic Preservation Commission would like to do a series

of short features on the history of these houses in upcoming issues of the town newsletter. If you would like your home featured, please submit a short history of the building to the commission (in care of the Clerk at

the municipal building). Don't worry if you do not consider yourself a "writer". Your love for your house is sure to make for fascinating reading.

Public Works / Bus. Administrator by Richard D. Phelan



Upcoming Projects:

Halstead Street Water Main Replacement

The Town will be replacing the water main on Halstead Street and Water Street beginning in the near future. The first phase of the construction will begin near Rt. 31, and will have little impact on traffic. As we move into Town, residents will be notified of the schedule so they can plan accordingly.

Reminders:

1. For residents with shrubs/plants that overhang into the sidewalks, we ask that you please trim them accordingly. The last thing we want is for a pedestrian to be forced into the street due to an overgrown shrub.
2. Residents are invited to take advantage of free scrap metal and electronic 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 6AM—8AM.

3. 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.clintonjipolice.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 as well, so feel free to "Like" them for additional updates.

Affordable Housing - If you know anyone who may be eligible to qualify for affordable housing, 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.

Environmental Commission by Deena Roberts

The Environmental Commission and Raritan Headwaters Association partnered to lead and sponsor another successful River Clean-up at the week of Earth Day on April 26, which was one of 32 sites and contributed to the over 1000 volunteers at sites all over New Jersey. Members of the Environmental Commission, the Clinton Green Team and other town volunteers filled many bags with trash and recyclables picked out of the river and surrounding area. The Green Team also gave away tomato and cucumber seedlings to clean-up volunteers. An in-river clean up is planned on Sunday July 27.

The Clinton Green Team was recently awarded a \$2,000 grant from Sustainable Jersey. The grant was available due to Clinton's Sustainable Jersey Certification. Sustainable Jersey is an Organization that certifies

Municipalities which have undertaken initiatives that move the Municipality to a more sustainable and green living community. The grant money will be used to support the Green Team's development of a website and implementation of its "green" projects. These include increasing Terracycle locations and promotion, running workshops such as how to make "green" cleaning and personal care products, and a project the Green Team is currently working on - Creating a Monarch Butterfly Waystation at a location in Town to be determined. Monarch butterfly populations are greatly declining due to lack of milkweed cross country. For more information visit: <http://www.monarchwatch.org> and <http://www.kansascity.com/2014/05/16/5021544/gardens-become-monarch-magnets.html>.

Don't forget to drop into the Basil Bandwagon and drop off your Terracycle items. (List in the store or can be requested via the Facebook page). <http://www.terracycle.com>

If you are interested in learning more or participating in any of the Green Team projects or the in-river clean-up, please contact the Green Team at Clinton_Green_Team@outlook.com

Green Suggestion: Bring your own coffee mug when you frequent your favorite downtown coffee shop (keep a mug in car for those spontaneous stops!).

Like us on FB: "Town of Clinton Green Team" and "Terracycling in Clinton"

Police Department by Chief R. Brett Matheis



Summer Fun and Safety

Town Noise Ordinance – Chapter 101 of the Code of the Town of Clinton addresses “unreasonable and/or unnecessary noise” which travels across real property lines and it also specifically addresses that noise which is created by “sound reproduction devices”. Sound reproduction devices include but are not limited to musical instruments, radios, T.V.’s, tape recorders, phonographs, loudspeakers, P.A. systems or any other sound-amplifying devices. Let me start by saying that there are many activities that by their very nature will immediately violate this ordinance, therefore the ordinance contains provisions for exceptions (public safety, emergency work, construction activities, activities on public grounds under authority of Town Officials) or provide that the Town Council may grant a permit for a specific activity to be an exception to the ordinance for a specific period of time (concerts, merchant events, etc.). The nuts and bolts of this ordinance is “unreasonable noise” which is not an exception contained in the ordinance or authorized by Town Council. Unreasonable noise is defined as “any excessive or unusually loud sound or sounds which annoy, disturbs, injures or endangers the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of a reasonable person of normal sensitivities or which causes or has the potential to cause injury to animal life or damage to property or business”. Unreasonable noise can be many things to many people however the Police Department considers the following standards when determining whether there is a violation of the ordinance: volume, intensity, is the nature of the noise usual or unusual, is the origin of the noise usual or unusual, the volume and nature of any background noise, proximity to residential sleeping areas, nature and zoning of the area, time of the day or night, duration of the noise, is the sound source temporary, is the noise continuous or impulsive and whether the noise would disturb the peace and/or be con-

sidered a common-law nuisance. Now I know your wondering what does all that mean right? What it means is that what is “reasonable” at noon may not be reasonable at 4pm, and what is reasonable at 4pm may not be reasonable at 8pm, and what may have been reasonable at 8pm may not be reasonable at 10pm or later. **The bottom line is that “unnecessary or unreasonable noise” traveling across property lines is a violation of the ordinance and the common sense rule of thumb that should be used is that as it gets later in the day the volume of any noise should continually be lowered until at some point the noise cannot be heard by your neighbors.**

Fireworks – The Fireworks laws in New Jersey are **EXTREMELY restrictive**. In some States fireworks are permitted to be sold to the public however in New Jersey only paper or plastic caps for use in toy cap guns or legal. EVERY OTHER type of fireworks is **ILLEGAL** and will subject a person who possess or sells such a device to severe penalties upon conviction. Sparklers, novelty items such as cigarette loads, trick matches, trick noise makers, smoke grenades, toy propellants, snap & pops, poppets and champagne poppers as well as firecrackers, Roman Candles, rockets, etc. are **ALL ILLEGAL** in this State. Please do not be fooled by a salesman who tries to tell you that they are authorized or permitted to be sold by mail order houses or over the internet and please do not purchase fireworks and transport them into New Jersey from Pennsylvania or others States. Aside from being illegal fireworks are **EXTREMELY unpredictable and dangerous**. Each year many people young and old find themselves in emergency rooms around the State with severe injuries caused by the illegal use of fireworks. Fireworks are also a serious fire hazard. Please leave fireworks to the experts at officially sanctioned public and licensed

displays and be reminded that the police department and our Fire Code Official have a **ZERO TOLERANCE** policy for violations of the State’s Fireworks Laws.

Severe Weather / Flooding – Clinton is prone to flooding in several commercial and residential areas, and susceptible to high wind damage and storm related power outages. The Police, Fire, EMS and Office of Emergency Management Departments of the Town are available to respond and assist you in emergencies, however **YOU the property owner/tenant are responsible to be aware of severe weather forecasts and to take those steps unique to YOUR properties to protect them in cases of severe weather and flooding**. Please take the time NOW to create a plan for you, your family and your home or business to follow in the event of emergency. Resources are available to assist you at the following websites: www.state.nj.us/njoem , www.fema.gov and www.redcross.org . You are also encouraged to sign up for local alerts on the Police Department website www.clintonnjpolice.com as well as the official Town of Clinton website, Facebook and Twitter.

Suspicious Activity – We have all seen something that “just did not seem right”. Many times suspicious activities are reported the morning after and sometimes many days after the fact when there is little if anything that police or other Town departments can do about it. If you see or are aware of anything suspicious in nature do not hesitate to contact the non-emergency number for the Police Department at **908-735-8611** as soon as possible. You will be connected to a live communications dispatcher who will accept your information, and you may remain anonymous if you wish. The Police Department is “one stop shopping” for residents and visitors to Clinton so please do not hesitate to call on us 24/7/365.

Alcoholic Beverages – Hosting a summer picnic or a party?, please be

Recreation Commission by Beth Sosidka



Get ready for the annual **Clinton Town Picnic** set for Saturday, June 7th (rain date 6/14) beginning at 3:00 at Hunts Mill Park. The picnic is open to everyone so bring your friends and family! Ride on Frank Hooper's old fashioned fire truck, and you can support the Clinton Fire Department as they grill up your favorite food. We are proud of the new group of volunteers who have worked very hard to organize this year's picnic and keep this wonderful tradition alive! Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and enjoy the music and festivities with your friends and neighbors.

If you are interested in registering your child/children for the **2014 Summer Recreation Program**, visit the Town of Clinton website clintonnj.gov. In the "News and Announcements" section on the homepage, click on the link titled 2014 Summer Recreation Registration. The program will run

from June 23- July 18 from 9am-12noon, Monday – Friday at Clinton Public School. Registration is open until June 16, after that there is a late fee of \$15 per child. Open to the first 200 enrolled. You can sign up for the month, by the week, or for trips only, including Branchburg Sports Complex, Beaver Brook Swim and Golf, Riegel Ridge Pool, JJ Scoops, Jungle Gym and Bounce, Jimmy's Custard Stand and Miniature Golf Join the fun!

The **Summer Tennis Program** is back for its 15th year of teaching children the wonderful sport of tennis! Kids ages 6-14 can come to the courts at the Clinton Community Center for the great tennis, italian ices, and famous tennis T-shirts! Don't miss out on the fun, spots fill up quickly. Registration forms can be found on the Town of Clinton website Home Page. If you have any questions, please email Don Berkman at berkmandon4@gmail.com.

A good time was had by all at the Senior Luncheon held on May 4th. Thank you to all of our volunteers who made this event special.

The installation of the fitness trail equipment in Hunts Mill Park will be this summer! Please enjoy the various fitness stations including a bench dip, chin up bars, push-ups, knee lifts, T Bar, sit up stations and an adult fitness unit. Remember to thank the Rotary Club for their hard work in fundraising for this equipment to improve the health and outdoor enjoyment of Clinton.

19th Century Baseball Game

Double Header! The Recreation Commission will be hosting two 19th Century baseball games on Sunday 6/8 at Gebhardt Field beginning at 11am. The first game uses baseball rules from 1864 while the 2nd game uses 1873 rules. Come out to see Flemington Neshanoc vs. Elton (Maryland) Eclipse and enjoy the afternoon!

Police Department by Chief R. Brett Matheis

reminded that the consumption of alcoholic beverages in public (public property, streets, sidewalks, parks & playgrounds) is prohibited by ordinance. Please maintain an awareness of WHO is consuming your alcoholic beverages and HOW MUCH they are consuming at YOUR event. As the host you may be held responsible for the actions of those that you have served in some instances. Please also

remember that the Drunk Driving blood alcohol level threshold in New Jersey for those 21 and over is .08% blood alcohol content, however the limit for those under 21 is SIGNIFICANTLY LESS at .01% BAC. **So for all practical purposes this is a ZERO TOLERANCE for the consumption of alcoholic beverages if you are under 21 and operating a motor**

vehicle regardless of where or from whom you were served.

Police Department Website – www.clintonnjpolice.com You will be able to access police news, important information of interest to residents and visitors, Town ordinances and sign up for police alerts by using this site.



HELP CONSERVE WATER
CHECK YOUR
FAUCETS AND TOILETS
FOR LEAKS

HAVE A HAPPY AND
FUN FILLED
SUMMER!!!





Logo designed by Kelsey Bower, a student of Hunterdon County Polytech's Commercial Art and Advertising Design, partnering with members of local Rotary Clubs Bridging the Gap program.



Your Passport to the Town of Clinton's 150th Anniversary



The Town of Clinton will reach a very important milestone next year – its 150th anniversary. The 150th Committee, with representatives from local business, town council, and residents are hard at work in planning a wide range of educational, fun-filled activities highlighting Clinton's past, present, and future for 2015.



We encourage town residents, area business owners, service organizations, educational and religious institutions to help support all activities that surround the 150th anniversary by bringing your ideas to the committee, and contribute your time, resources and monetary contributions. Please reach out to our town clerk, Ceil Covino ccovino@clintonnj.gov and she will put you in touch with the appropriate committee member.



The committee has identified categories and a few projects already which encompasses:



History



A joint exhibit on Clinton's history with Clinton's Historic Commission and the Red Mill Museum Village in April 2015.



Cemetery walking tour Clinton Historical Commission



Arts & Cultural



Juried mixed medium art show that has everything to do with Clinton



Mural



Faces of Clinton



Quality of Life



Town wide spring clean up day



Gateway enhancement Project



150th Pole Banners on Old Hwy 22



Directional Signage



Town wide Block Party from the Fire house to the Red Mill is being planned, everyone will be invited!



Your Passport to Clinton that will be available for the year will list all activities and each time you attend or participate, your passport will get a special TOC stamp. More details to follow on this.



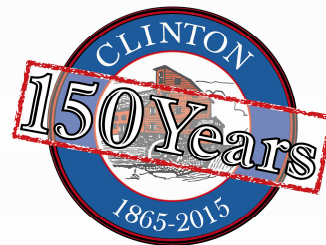
We hope you will help make the 150th celebration a stellar one by contributing to one or many of the projects. Please contact us today and let us know how you want to participate.



Thank You,



Megan Jones-Holt 150th Committee Chair



Shade Tree Commission by Ches Snider

Greetings!!!

I'd like to thank everyone who participated in another successful Arbor Day celebration on April 25th held at Mill View Park. The 3rd grade Bulldogs from CPS, town employees, volunteers, and residents alike helped plant an American Sycamore in honor of former mayor and current councilman Bob Smith and his wife, former Clinton CFO and current Recreation Commission member Nancy Smith - it was a spectacular day.

Regarding the Sycamore (*Platanus occidentalis*), for those residents residing near the river it thrives in ri-

parian and wetland areas and is an excellent source of shade.

Helpful Tip: we've all seen them and might even be using the technique to landscape our yards: **the New Jersey Volcanoes**. Those enormous cones of mulch piled against trees that provide a nice visual contrast between the grass and trees – but they are actually killing the trees by softening the bark, becoming prone to insects and rodents, and depriving the roots of water.

Instead, it is recommended to start 6 inches from the trunk at ground level and mulch outward to the edge of the

drip-line to a maximum depth of 2 to 4 inches. Remember, mulch as much of the area under the tree as possible without having the mulch touch the trunk. For more information, go to http://www.rutherford-nj.com/shadetree/Proper_Mulching.pdf.

Finally, we have removed over a dozen dead trees this year and this of course impacts our budget and tree inventory. We are asking those homeowners for whom we have removed town trees from their property to consider a donation to shade tree and we will plant a new tree at your location.

Have a safe and fun-filled summer!



ATTENTION CLINTON RESIDENTS:

**CHIPPING AND BRUSH WILL NOT BEGIN UNTIL MAY 2014
CHIPPING WILL BE PICKED UP BY ZONES
(see recycle brochure for more info)
PLEASE DO NOT PILE BRANCHES BY CURB DURING THIS TIME**

ADDITIONAL CLARIFICATION FOR BRUSH AND LEAF COLLECTION

For the past two years we have changed our brush and leaf collection, and have realized there is still some confusion regarding the collections so we wanted to clarify some things for you. The brush collection runs from May to end of October with your appropriate zone pick up, after October you can take your brush pile to the Town's Composting Center located at 2 Ramsey Road (Wastewater Treatment Plant, Monday –Friday 7am-3pm, and Saturday – Sunday 6am -8 am). During collection all small brush/debris is to be placed in buckets or garbage cans, all large brush/debris (large limbs and branches no longer than 6 inches in diameter) will be placed at curbside facing the flow of traffic. Please do not place brush on top or underneath your leaf pile, for our leaf machine is not equipped to handle brush.

Our leaves will be collected from mid-October through December with multiple trips through all the neighborhoods. If your leaves are not out when the DPW goes by, they will be pick up next time. All piles must be 10 feet or further away from any storm drain inlet in order to prevent the basins from getting clogged. The leaf collection is subject to inclement weather and other municipal emergencies. A special springtime leaf collection will be the last week of March and first week in April, so please mark your calendar accordingly.



FREE ELECTRONIC & SCRAP METAL RECYCLING FOR TOWN OF CLINTON RESIDENTS

(Air conditioners & refrigerators—freon and any liquid must be removed)

Dumpsters are located at the Sewer Treatment Plant on Ramsey Road



Council Highlights by Angela Hawes

February 25, 2014

~ Union Township, Mayor

Michele McBride, sent a letter of sincere thanks to the Town of Clinton for assistance during the Union Hills fire in late November. The Town of Clinton assisted in receiving donation to help the affected residents.

March 11, 2014

~ Sunrise Rotary sponsoring the Great Hunterdon Rubber Ducky Race July 12, 2014

~Clinton-Glen Gardner School District is seeking financial support to send four School Safety Team members to Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado to attend an intense four-day safety training session

~ An introduction received from Karen DeMarco, MPH, the new Health Officer for Hunterdon County.

~ Town is preparing to submit for State Discretionary Aid funding for Union Road, Helen, Hunts Mill and Riverside Drive.

~ New signs directing to parking areas have been budgeted for, they will be a blue "P". Placement now being discussed.

~150th Anniversary of Clinton committee met. It was decided to have a brochure and attendees to

events will get their brochure stamped for each event. Attendees who attend a majority of the events will be entered to win a prize. T-shirts will be designed by Polytech students and will be for purchase to raise money. A Street fair is being planned.

~ The Clinton Fire Department is celebrating the 125th Anniversary and the Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad is celebrating their 75th! Discussions taking place about combining their milestones and having a big parade in 2015.

March 25, 2014

~ The Water Committee met and discussed changing the routes in which the water department reads the meters for billing since having the new meters.

~ The Halstead Street / Route 31 water project is in the beginning stages. The road has been marked out by the utility companies. The water committee was just notified on March 14 that the State has a moratorium on stream crossing from March 15, 2014 and goes to June 15, 2014. This changes how the project will be done. There will be 43 new water connections with this project.

April 8, 2014

~ The Trust Account for the 150th Celebration is now open and we can accept donations.

~ Grill Night will return May 16 and continue June 20, August 15 and September 19. The first mailers for the fund drive were sent out.

April 22, 2014

~ An invitation received from Union Forge Heritage Association to the grand opening of the Solitude Heritage Museum at the historic 1760 Joseph Turner House on July 5, 2014. Additional information available in the clerk's office.

May 13, 2014

~ Mayor Kovach informed council the Town has been selected to receive funding from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Fiscal Year 2014 Municipal Aid Program for Halstead Street Resurfacing in the amount of \$170,000.

~ Weather permitting, the first week of June mulch will be available to the public located at the Wastewater Treatment Plant off Ramsey Road.

~ Buildings and Grounds had a request from the Green Team to find a good location in the Town for a Monarch Butterfly Waystation. Several spots have been discussed.

~ 19th Century Baseball Game at Gebhardt Field the day following the Town Picnic which will be June 8, 2014. There will be two games played. One game will follow the 1864 rules of baseball and the second game using the 1873 rules.

HAZARDOUS WASTE CLEAN UP DAY

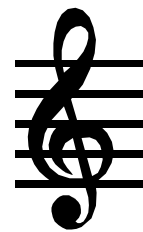


Saturday, July 12, 2014 9am to 1pm
Route 12 County Complex
For more information, call 908-788-1110



DOG OWNERS PLEASE CURB YOUR DOG

Protect the health, safety and welfare of your neighbors.



FRIDAY NIGHT MUSIC

ON MAIN STREET

May through
September

"Come Together and
Enjoy the Music"

7pm to 9pm

Around the Town by Sue Komorowski

HUNTERDON COUNTY 300TH ANNIVERSARY

Events and activities commemorating the 300th Anniversary of Hunterdon County continue at various local venues for children and adults to learn and enjoy! Many are FREE of charge!

<http://www.hunterdon300th.org/events-march.html> for details, dates, and registration!

May 2014 through October 2014

Clinton Farmers' Market-Sundays, 9am-1pm, weather-permitting, at the Clinton Fire Dept. parking lot (1 New Street). *Fresh local farm produce, cookies, herbs, bath and body products, meats and MORE!*

Saturday, June 7th

Town-Wide Yard Sale, 9am-2pm.
Rain or shine!



Annual Clinton Town Picnic!

Hunts Mill Park, 3pm until dusk—fireworks, inflatables, bake-off contest, grilled items for purchase from the Clinton Fire Dept. Bring blankets and chairs.
Rain Date Saturday, June 14th.

Sunday, June 8th

“Art on Tap”, Hunterdon Art Museum, 2pm-5pm. Beer and food tasting fundraiser featuring over a dozen craft beers, great local fare, a raffle, and music by The New Road Band. Tickets \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door.

More details at www.hunterdonmuseum.com or info@hunterdonartmuseum.com.



Friday, June 13th

Clinton Guild Flag Day Parade

Decorate your bikes, scooters - anything with wheels
Ceremony at 6:30pm - Parade downtown Clinton
entertainment, refreshments & music to follow!!!



Friday, June 20th & August 22nd

Free Family Outdoor Movie! Red Mill Museum, details TBA. Rain date June 28th.



Sunday, June 22

CLASSIC CAR SHOW

10 to 3pm at the Unity Concourse Bldg
For more info call 908-339-1053 or go to www.unitybank.com/carshow
If bad weather please call for update

Sunday, June 29th

Katherine Trubek, Sundays on the Terrace Series, 1pm-4pm, Hunterdon Art Museum.

“Go fly a kite”....but, first, you have to make one! Kite-making program on the terrace for families!

Thursday through Sunday, July 9th-13th

18th Annual BLACK POTATOE MUSIC FESTIVAL

Featuring 36 acts over 4 days located at the Red Mill Museum

Come enjoy some wonderful music for more info www.blackpotatoe.org

Saturday, July 12 — Double Header!!

THE GREAT RUBBER DUCKY RACE

Pick your duck and be at the Dam at 2PM Rain or Shine!

Advanced ducks sales prior to and day of at 10am on Main St.

For info: www.clintonsunriserotary.org

SPRINTIN' CLINTON

1 ml. Fun Run and 5K Race at 8AM at the Clinton Community Center

Sponsored by Clinton Sunrise Rotary Club

Questions: (908) 279-0112

For info: www.clintonsunriserotary.org

Saturday, August 2nd through Sunday, August 3rd

Revolutionary War Days

18th Century Camps, Drills, Skirmishes, guided tours, and educational demonstrations
Red Mill Museum 10 to 4

Friday, August 1st (application deadline)

“2nd Annual Me and My Mango Contest”

at Balic of Clinton! Participants 21 yrs.+ can submit food or drink recipes using Balic's Mango Wine and WIN prizes! Tasting and judging of prepared submissions will be Sunday, August 10th. For more info, call 908-713-9463 or email www.balicofclinton.com.

Sunday, August 10th

Tasting and judging of submissions for “Me and My Mango Recipe Contest”, 1pm-3pm, Balic of Clinton. Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places!
www.balicofclinton.com

Proclamation for saving a life, given to Public Works Employee, Pete Bross.

A proclamation was given to Mr. Bross on Tuesday April 22, 2014, for his quick action when his fellow co-worker was stricken with a heart attack. Mr. Bross's professional training as a fire fighter alerted him to the seriousness of the situation, and reacted accordingly by contacting Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad, and helped transport Mr. Smith to the Hunterdon Medical Center. Mr. Smith has made a full recovery. The Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton recognized Pete Bross for his courageous act of heroism in which he demonstrated an exemplary and uncommon concern for the life of another.



Clinton Public School News

Town of Clinton, June 2014



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.

Clinton-Glen Gardner Board of Education

Margaret Layding, Bob Moul, Patty Cooper, Brendan McIsaac, Craig Sowell

Welcome to our new Superintendent / Principal

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Seth Cohen will be our new leader starting July 1. Dr. Cohen lives in Somerset, NJ and has been in a combined Superintendent-Principal role at Allamuchy Township for the last 2 years. While at Allamuchy, his accomplishments included rolling out a Chromebook initiative for 7th and 8th grade students, working with staff to update their curriculum to Common Core standards, training on the Danielson teacher evaluation model, and bringing environmental initiatives to the school. As we welcome Dr. Cohen, we would also like to thank Mrs. Judy Burd for her excellent work as our Interim leader for this past school year. We wish Judy continued success in the future.

Facility and budget update

On March 11, Clinton and Glen Gardner voters strongly supported issuing bonds to replace the school's 20 year old roof and HVAC units, and to replace the fire alarm. In Clinton, these bonds have no tax impact, since they will replace 1996 bonds which will soon be rolling off. In Glen Gardner, these bonds will have a new tax impact starting next year. We will be replacing the school's fire alarm system this summer, and plan to do the roof and HVAC work in summer 2015. Thank you for support in maintaining our facility.

The Board has also passed a budget for next school year, complete details are available on the school's website.

Board of Education Election Information

The Clinton-Glen Gardner Board member election will be November 4, 2014, the same date as the general election. There are 2 seats open in 2014, with 3 year terms that begin in January 2015. Below are some commonly asked questions about being on the Board, please check the CPS website for more details. You can also feel free to contact any current CPS Board member if you'd like to talk more.

What do Board members do?

Board members establish the school's goals annually, typically these include academic, budget, and communication goals. Board members also establish school policies and determine final budget priorities. Board members do not run the school; rather, the Board's goals and policies are the basis for how the school leaders and staff operate.

What are the qualifications to be a Board member?

You must be a US citizen, have lived in the district at least one year, be registered to vote before filing to be on the ballot, not hold any other elective office, and submit to a criminal background check if elected.

How do you get on the ballot?

Interested candidates need to file a petition with the Hunterdon County Clerk's office by July 28, 2014 at 4 pm. Forms and more details are on the BOE website.

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Calendar of Town Committee Meetings at Municipal Bldg.

ASSESSOR — 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 — 7:30 PM Third Wednesday of each month

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

SHADE TREE COMMISSION — 7:30 PM Third Monday of each month

SMART GROWTH COMMITTEE — 7:30 PM Third Thursday of each month

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