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# **DECEMBER**

2019

Celebrating the Holidays in the Town of Clinton

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## FROM THE MAYOR



JANICE KOVACH

As we go into the last quarter of 2019 and the craziness of the holiday season, I have to look back on what this year has brought to Clinton. The council and land use board are moving forward with redevelopment designations for two high priority properties. Global Ag (which has been empty for close to 15 years) finally has an owner interested in breathing new life into it. While renderings have been shared on Facebook,

we are still awaiting the application to be presented to the Land Use Board for hearings.

The A&P property is also receiving a redevelopment designation and is now under contract. And while every effort was made to lure a food store since the A&P closure four years ago, it unfortunately did not work. However, as part of the redevelopment, the property will be mixed use with commercial downstairs and apartments above. The existing

building will also come down and the new structure will be moved closer to the street for better streetscaping and parking behind.

In addition to this on-going work, we have launched our new website and revitalized the town newsletter. Using our open space funds and grants, we have also kicked-off plans to provide a facelift to our town playground, which has been a staple in Clinton for as long as I can remember.

As always if you have questions or concerns please reach out my cell is 9083998921 or email <a href="mailto:jkovach@clintonnj.gov">jkovach@clintonnj.gov</a> or any of the other councilmembers. Wishing everyone a happy, safe and healthy holiday season.





# Louis Tranquilli

**Investment Advisor Representative** 

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## TOWN COUNCIL

## **OUR NEW WEBSITE IS HERE!** www.clintonnj.gov

See more on page 6

**COUNCIL MEETINGS** 7:30 PM, 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month

## **COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS**

## **AUGUST 13, 2019**

#### HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

As a former mayor and council member since the 1970's. Robert Smith has been in government for more than 20 years and was originally named to the Hall of Fame in 1999. Mayor Kovach surprised Mr. Smith with an updated certificate!

#### TWO NEW POLICE OFFICERS

Town welcomes two new police officers to the force. Michael Del Russo and Jose Gonzalez.

#### CLINTON WINS FOOD CHALLENGE

In the Clinton vs High Bridge food drive, Clinton won with a donation of 2903 pounds of groceries to the Open Cupboard Food Pantry.

## **SEPTEMBER 10, 2019**

#### **CLINTON MUSIC HALL**

Mark Zhutinali presented a documentary he produced about the Clinton Music Hall, which was lost to a fire on May 15, 2016. An original brick will be on display in the clerk's office.

#### SUSTAINABLE CLINTON GREEN TEAM

Environmental Commission looking to build a bigger team of volunteers for 2020 to go after the Sustainable Jersey's gold certification level.

#### NEW WEBSITE COMING SOON

The Communications committee is moving along with the design for the new website. Look for it by the end of the year.

#### COMMUNITY CENTER PLAYGROUND

The Board of Recreation is working with the engineers to redesign the playground and will be submitting to the county for the grant.

## **SEPTEMBER 24, 2019**

## 2020 CENSUS

The 2020 Census toolkit was emailed to all municipalities.

#### LIGHT TO EARTH SANCTUARY

Frankie De Saro, EWO and Co-founder of Light to Earth Sanctuary gave a presentation of the sanctuary's "mission to reawaken women and children toward their life's purpose by restoring their spirit, soul and body."

#### PERMANENT APPOINTMENT

Thomas Brown, a laborer within the Streets and Roads Department for the town completed his ninety day probationary period.

#### HALLOWEEN CURFEW

The temporary curfew commences at 9:00p.m. October 4, 2019 up to and including 6:00a.m. November 8, 2019.

#### "NO FEEDING THE DUCKS"

A 4th grader at Clinton Public School, Mason Levers, wrote a letter to Mayor Kovach to put up a sign for people not to feed the ducks. Mason said the bread gets moldy and pollutes the water and can cause disease in ducks. Mayor and Council were very supportive of the request.

#### BEAR ACTIVITY IN YOUR HOOD

Chief Kubinak said people need to call the nonemergency number, 908-735-8611 when they see the bears. If a bear is reported eight times, Fish and Game Division will come out, trap it and relocate the bear.

## **COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS (continued)**

## **OCTOBER 8, 2019**

#### "SHOW OFF YOUR CITY"

League of Municipalities is holding a contest "Show Off Your City"! Entries due February 3, 2020. Send in photos of your municipality to showcase our beautiful state. Spread the word! Information also available on the Town's website.

#### **KEY TO CLINTON**

Mayor Kovach presented a proclamation and the "Key to Clinton" to Postman Mark Demayer for his outstanding service to the residents on his mail delivery route. Many residents have shared stories of Mark, pulling garbage cans up the driveway, checking on folks, sending flowers to residents in the hospital.

## **NEW GOVERNMENT CHANNEL**

Comcast announced that on or shortly after September 24, 2019 a new government access channel will launch on Channel 90 in Clinton Township.

## RESCUE SQUAD MERGER

The Town of Clinton and High Bridge are once again discussing the merger of the two rescue squads. The merger may be completed by July, 2020 if all the details can be worked out.

## HALF-MARATHON EXPO AND SUPERHERO RACE

The EXPO will be on Main Street, Saturday, October 12, and will include a Superhero Race that is open to all children.





Amy DeVita Realtor-Associate

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## TOWN ADMINISTRATION

## **GARBAGE**

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, not for commercial or residential use.

## RECYCLING

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 Ramsev Road). and are open Monday through Friday from 7AM - 3PM.

## LEAF COLLECTION

NO BRUSH will be picked up until the Spring

#### Zones 1 & 2—December 2nd

(Alton, fieldstone, Riverside, Fox, Helen, Olsen, Goosetown, Mitchell, Haver Farm, Hunts Mill, Mountainview, School, Leigh, Fairview, E. Main, Georges, Halstead, Center, New, Harrison, Main, Water, Lower Center)

#### Zone 3—December 16th

(Union, Rupells, Spruce Run, Quarry Ridge, Busher, Messig, Marudy, Hillside, W. Main, Lingert, Lakeview, Kinter, Hancock)

## CHRISTMAS TRFF COLLECTION

CHRISTMAS TREES will be collected curbside the first 2 weeks of January.

#### SNOW ROAD CLEARANCE

As winter is approaching, we want to remind 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, we 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.

Rich Phelan **Business Administrator** (p) 908-735-8616 (e) rphelan@clintonnj.gov

## 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, or download one directly from our website at www.clintonni.gov/ forms.html.

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.

#### TOWN INFORMATION

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:
  - \* Website www.clintonnj.gov
  - Facebook www.facebook.com/clintonnjgov
  - Twitter twitter.com/clintonni
- Town of Clinton Police Department www.clintonnipolice.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 Department of Public Safety www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/911

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

## COUNTY GRANT FOR NEW WEBSITE

Welcome to the redesigned Clinton Town Website.

We have re-imagined the website for the future. Backed by a grant provided by the Hunterdon County Freeholders and Hunterdon County Economic Development Division, the new website is mobile friendly, with intuitive navigation focused on exactly what you need to find.

#### What is new at www.clintonnj.gov:

- User-focused menus for Residents, Businesses, and Visitors
- "Find It Fast" menu for the most popular pages
- Resource section for important resource pages
- Expanded pages with easy instructions
- Forms that can be filled-in and sent online
- Color-coded calendar
- Future services for Online Bill-Pay, Text Alerts, etc.

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## OUR PAST AND OUR FUTURE

## THEN AND NOW



#### Main Street in 1917

Following the Great Fire of 1892, Main Street was rebuilt, using stone and bricks instead of wood, and elevating the first floors of the new buildings to mitigate the periodic flooding from the South Branch River. Clinton was a bustling manufacturing town and popular crossroads

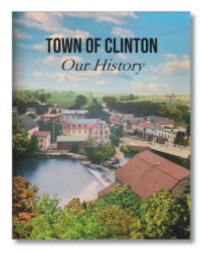


#### Main Street in 2019

Despite the modern improvements, such as asphalt pavement, electric street lights, and vehicles driven by significantly more horsepower, Clinton's Main Street looks remarkably similar more than one hundred years later. The town remains a busy crossroads and is both a sought-after family-friendly community and a popular destination for visitors.

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION

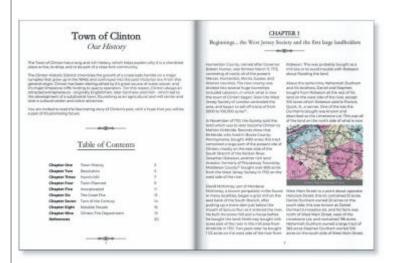
## FREE HISTORY OF CLINTON BOOK



The new website for Clinton provided us an opportunity to improve the historic information about our town.

One example is this new illustrated book on the History of Clinton, found at www.clintonnj.gov/ historic-commission/ pages/history

The Clinton Historic Preservation Commission exists to maintain, advise and offer guidelines to preserve and maintain the historic nature and character of the town. We currently have two open seats to fill. Visit clerk's office for more info.



Roger Mellick **CHPC** Chair (p) 908-735-8616 (e) rmellick@clintonnj.org

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## Friday-Sunday November 29-December 1

## **Dickens Days**

Clinton transforms into a Victorian Village with Scrooge, Charles Dickens, and Father Christmas strolling downtown, horse drawn carriage rides, live music, store specials, and more.

## Festival of Trees at Red Mill Museum

A silent auction fundraiser of beautifully decorated Christmas trees and wreaths

# Winter Village at the Red Mill Museum

German-style, outdoor (tented and heated) winter craft market features 40 local craft artisans, vintage peddlers, and food trucks

## <u>Friday,</u> <u>November 29</u>

## **Community Tree Lighting**

6:30-7:30 pm, Main Street

Caroling and a visit from Santa on our old time fire truck

## <u>Saturday</u> November 30

## **Small Business Saturday**

Support all of our wonderful merchants in town!

## <u>Friday,</u> <u>December 6</u>

## 33rd Annual Christmas Parade

7:00 pm, East Main, Main and Center Streets

A wonderful Clinton tradition with bands and over 40 floats!!!

For more info, including street closure times, visit www.clintonchristmasparade.com

## Thursday, December 12

## **Candlelight Night**

6:00–9:00 pm, Downtown Clinton

A night for strolling the streets of Clinton by the warm glow of candlelight. Candlelight Night is an opportune time to find a special gift or two for friends, family, or even yourself!

## Sunday December 15

Clinton's Boy Scout Troop # 121 Annual Pancake Breakfast with Santa!!!

8:00 am - 12 pm Clinton Fire Department

Featuring all you can eat pancakes, eggs, sausage, coffee, tea and OJ. Adults:\$8, Children 12 and under:\$4. Bring your cameras!!!!!!!

#### Visit with Santa

1:00 – 3:00 pm Art Museum Terrace

Bring the kids downtown for a visit with the jolly old elf himself

## Saturday, December 21

## The Run Before Christmas 2nd Annual Santa Con 7:00 – 11:00 pm.

#### **Red Mill Museum Village**

Family-friendly 8K run focused on fun and the spirit of the season. Holiday attire required! No registration fee! Register at www.santacon8k.itsyourrace.com

## 33RD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE



#### SAVE THE DATE - DECEMBER 6TH

.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

## **UPCOMING EVENTS (continued)**

## <u>Saturday,</u> December 21

## Santa visits your home! 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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 . Email ehedden@cpsnj.org for more information

# Thursday, December 26

## Clinton Menorah Lighting 6:30 pm

Hunterdon Art Museum Terrace

Annual family event to light the outdoor menorah

## Saturday, January 25

## **Free Rabies Clinic**

8:00 am - 11:00 am 43 Leigh Street

Bring your dog or cat, leashed or caged please, for a free rabies vaccine. Held in the red barn behind the municipal building

## Saturday, January TBD

## 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

## February 7 thru February 14

#### **Sweethearts Week**

5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Downtown Clinton

Enjoy Valentines related festivities in town

## Sunday, February 5

HAM It Up!!!

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Hunterdon Art Museum

FREE family event with crafts and entertainment.
Visit https://
hunterdonartmuseum.org/
or call 908-735-5415
for more information

## Sunday, March 15

## St. Patrick's Day Parade 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Main Street, Clinton

Annual parade sponsored by the Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick. Visit www.fssphunterdon.com for more information.

## Saturday, April 25

## **ArtParty**

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Hunterdon Art Museum

The Hunterdon Art Museum's annual signature gala.
Visit https://
hunterdonartmuseum.org/
or call 908-735-8415
for more information.

Visit the new online Clinton Town Calendar at www.clintonnj.gov/calendar/

For more information on these events, please visit our website at www.clintonnj.gov



## RECREATION

## Summer Rec Expands to Offer Full-Day and Wrap-Around Care

Calling all CPS parents and caregivers!

This year's Summer Recreation Program for Clinton Public School (CPS) children in K-7th grades is scheduled from June 29 -July 24, Monday-Friday (except Friday, July 3) at Clinton Public School.

The Recreation Commission is excited to announce the program is expanding in 2020 to include FULL-DAY (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and **WRAP-AROUND CARE (7:30** a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) options that will allow more of our town's young residents to participate in this trusted and affordable summer tradition. Please note that the 9 a.m. to noon program will still be an option for families.

Our four-week program will continue to operate out of CPS and feature many of the familiar engaging activities, contests, workshops and demonstrations, as well as new programs that focus on conservation, cooking

and more. This summer, in addition to half-day trips, new full -day excursions - including those to Allentown's Da Vinci Science Center, a Somerset Patriot's game, Riegel Ridge Community Pool and more - will round out the expanded schedule.

Glen Gardner caregivers and parents, please note: Bussing to and from the HALF DAY program will still be available in 2020. Bussing to the FULL DAY program will also be provided. however Glen Gardner students will need to be picked up at CPS at the end of each day as bussing home from the FULL DAY PROGRAM WILL NOT be provided.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Registration and pricing will be available January 1st. Look for flyers coming home from CPS with your child after the holiday break. In person registration for ALL trips will be held on March 19th. Employment opportunities will be posted in April.

Rosemary Pendergast Chair, Recreation Commission (p) 908-735-8616 (e) rosemary3288@gmail.com



## CLINTON FIREHOUSE

Beautiful facility, with a full kitchen, which can accommodate up to 100 people for meetings and celebrations.

> Email for more info at partyrental@clintonfd.org

## **CLINTON COMMUNITY CENTER**

A great venue for athletic, community, and private events.

For more information, visit https:// bit.ly/355cmNi



#### SUPERHERO RACES

As part of the Main Street Half Marathon celebration, our most courageous youngsters run down Main Street to the cheers of the community.

## **HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT**

## **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

#### SINGLE-USE PLASTICS

Single-use plastics (SUP) may represent the epitome of today's throwaway culture. Just nine per cent of the world's nine billion tons of plastic has been recycled. Most of our plastic ends up in landfills, waterways, and the environment. Examples of SUPs include:

- plastic forks and knives
- plastic shopping bags
- plastic coffee cup lids
- plastic water bottles
- plastic straws
- Styrofoam and plastic take out containers

Plastics do not biodegrade. Instead they slowly break down into smaller pieces of plastic called microplastics. It can take thousands of years for plastics and Styrofoam to decompose. In the meantime, it contaminates our soil and water. Plastic items like bags and straws choke wildlife and block animals' stomachs. The toxic chemicals

used in plastic gets transferred to animal tissue, eventually entering the human food chain.

The Environmental Commission is developing a program for 2020 to encourage the drastic reduction of single-use plastics use in town.

#### 2020 GREEN TEAM

Clinton is building its 2020 Green Team, part of the Sustainable Jersey certification program to improve New Jersey towns and build sustainable communities

Help us achieve the sought-after Gold Certification and the opportunities that it gives our town. Learn more at <a href="https://www.clintonnj.gov/environmental-commission/pages/clinton-green-team">https://www.clintonnj.gov/environmental-commission/pages/clinton-green-team</a>

John Madden

Chair, Environmental Commission

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## SHADE TREE COMMISSION

#### SPOTTED LANTERNFLIES

Pest Bulletin: Property Maintenance to Keep Spotted Lanternflies Away

Hunterdon County and the Town of Clinton have a new insect pest, the Spotted Lanternfly. It is large enough to be mistaken for a moth.



This is a known pest to a number of crops, including grapes and fruit trees. It also affects forest and shade trees, and it tends to swarm people and animals. It exudes honeydew in large amounts, which then mildews, smells badly, and can coat and kill plants under infestations.

If this sounds like something you don't want on or near your property, then this winter is the time to act. The Spotted Lanternfly lays egg masses on the sides of large trees (not Christmas trees), rocks, benches, or really anything else that doesn't move.

Take a good walk through your property after the first frost and look for the egg masses. Scrape them off into a small bag with

some bleach, alcohol, or hand sanitizer in it. When you are done, put that bag securely in another bag and throw it away. Also, do the same for any new firewood, stone, benches, or anything else that doesn't move. Make sure to check that for egg masses after it gets delivered and treat it as described previously.

Although these pests will be part of life in Clinton for a while, by working together we can make this "less bad."

Steve Kallesser Chair, Shade Tree Commission (p) 908-735-8616 (e) contactus@clintonnj.gov

## **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

## FIRST AID & RESCUE SQUAD

## **Holiday Safety**

With the holidays upon us, the Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad would like to remind everyone of some safety tips while preparing our houses, both inside and out. As emergency responders, we like to occasionally share some injury prevention messages to our community, and hopefully eliminate the need for us to meet after an injury occurs.

## Hanging Decorations

Falling while hanging lights or other decorations is a leading cause of holiday-related trauma. If you are so inclined to decorate, make sure you use a sturdy ladder and not items such as boxes or chairs to stand on, never touch

electrical lines, and always have someone with you to hold the ladder and be your spotter.

## Keep Small Objects From Small Children

Small objects are a constant hazard to infants and toddlers. Something as simple as an ornament or that new marble track gift for your young child can be a potential foreign body airway obstruction for the small child.

#### Fire Awareness

Make sure burning candles are never left unattended. Ensure an adult is present in any room where there are children and open flames. Before burning in your fireplace make sure your chimney has been cleaned, clear of any obstructions, and your flue is in the open position. And never dispose of hot ashes or candle wax in with your household garbage.

W can also always use help! Volunteers are in very short supply and we have classes starting just after the holidays if you ever thought about joining. More information on membership can be found at www.clintonems.org or by calling 908-735-4012 x126

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## **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### NFW SUPFRVISORS

Chief Kubinak is happy to announce that long time Clinton officers Tim McGuire and Jeff Ollerenshaw have been promoted to Sergeant. Tim and Jeff combined have over 40 years law enforcement experience.

## **NEW OFFICERS**

We welcome our new officers Matt Ellis, Michael Del Russo and Jose Gonzalez. All three are recent police academy graduates and are replacing retired Clinton officers.

## POLICE INFORMATION

Please check the police department's website, www.clintonnjpolice.com for information, and sign up for news and alerts.

#### NO SHAVE NOVEMBER

If you see a hairy man driving a police car during November, do NOT panic. Our department is participating in "No Shave November" to raise money for men's health. Funds collected will be donated to the RHSO Foundation to honor Lt. Scott Oldenburg of Readington PD who succumbed to cancer at age 42. Scott was a great man, father, husband, police officer and friend. Please help your Town of Clinton Police Department as we are in a little competition with our surrounding departments.

Visit our Go Fund Me page: https://bit.ly/33SYGol

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

## **VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT:** WHAT IS THIS IMPORTANT

Each year in October the Clinton Fire Department (CFD) staffs an engine and visits Clinton Public School to discuss fire safety with students. They also provide tours and fire safety discussions with outside organizations. All of this as volunteers!

The CFD is a FULLY VOLUNTEER organization. Members are not paid to respond to emergency events, educational activities, training, meetings, fundraisers, equipment and building maintenance, to name just a few. Active members will put in up to 200 hours a month.

Yet volunteering as a first responder is declining and it has become more difficult to maintain and run the volunteer departments.

For more than a year the CFD has been part of the North Hunterdon Fire Alliance, which includes the CFD as well as the Annandale, High Bridge, Lebanon Boro and Quakertown, and fire departments, providing reciprocal fire response service to our communities. But this only works with enough volunteers...Men and women who answer a higher calling, who provide their time to make the rest of us safer. They wake up at 2:00 am, or interrupt their family dinner, to respond to calls in minutes, not for money, but to serve our community.

We need your help. We need volunteers. We need people to train as firefighters. We need people who support our firefighters and help keep our department working. Consider helping your community by being a part of the volunteer organization that saves lives. Visit www.clintonfd.org to find out more.

#### **CONGRESSMAN VISIT**

In August we had the opportunity to meet with Congressman Tom Malinowski where we explained the financial burdens the fire departments incur with the State highways and facilities in our areas where we receive no financial support for incidents that we respond to. We had also discussed future grant applications and asked for support from the Congressman's Office.

#### **Clinton Fire Department**

**Chief Walter Dorf** 

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## **Fire Safety & Prevention**

Jack Daniels

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## **PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS**

## CLINTON PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS

This fall Clinton Public School is entering the fifth and final year of its strategic plan focused on making our children curious, creative, and compassionate builders of the future.

Over the years, the strategic plan has led to the transformation of our media center and maker space; the creation of the middle school elective offerings; and many new partnerships, field trips, and unique learning experiences for our children.

Hopefully, you made it to the annual Halloween parade or have heard about the successful sports seasons, especially the boy's soccer team that won the championship. New this year, we also have Unified Sports Clubs for both soccer and street hockey.

CPS has begun conversations about potentially receiving students from Lebanon Borough in grades seven and eight starting next year. Lebanon's

application is currently under review by the commissioner of education, and we will keep you updated.

Seth Cohen Superintendent/Principal Clinton-Glen Gardner Board of Education (p) (908) 735-8512

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## NORTH HUNTERDON / VOORHEES HIGH SCHOOLS

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Winter Concerts - free and open to the public!

- December 5 and December 12 at 7:00pm at North Hunterdon High School
- December 11 (Instrumental) and December 17 (Choral) at 7:00pm at Voorhees High School

## 8th Grade Orientation:

- Orientation for Clinton Public School students interested in attending North Hunterdon will be Jan. 8, 2020. Orientation for Clinton Public School students interested in attending Voorhees will be Jan. 7, 2020.
- Parent orientation at North Hunterdon will be held on January 7, 2020 at 6:30pm in the theater. Voorhees' 8th grade parent orientation on January 8, 2020 at 6:30pm in the theater.

#### School Closures:

- December 20, 2019 (half day) through and including January 1, 2020 for Winter Recess.
- January 20, 2020 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- February 14 (Half Day) through and including February 17, 2020 for Presidents' Day

#### **Blood Drives:**

- January 9, 2020 from 7:45am -3:15pm at Voorhees High School
- February 19, 2020 from 7:30am-3:00pm at North Hunterdon High School

#### Other News:

The Board of Education approved the calendar for the 2020-2021 school year. To view, please visit: http:// www.nhvweb.net/index.php/ calendar-2020-2021/

Winter sports season gets underway on November 25 with practices beginning and competition begins on December 19 - come out to games and matches and cheer on the student-athletes!

The Board of Education will hold its Reorganization Meeting on January 6, 2020 and its regular meeting on January 14, 2020. There is no meeting scheduled for December.

Course scheduling for the 2020-2021 school year will take place from January 10-24; more information will be sent to students and parents from the Guidance Office.

**Hunterdon-Voorhees** Regional High School District 1445 State Route 31 South Annandale, NJ 08801 District Office: (908) 735-2846 Website: www.nhvweb.net

## **MATTRESS SALE!**

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