Summer kicked off a little early this year - the warm weather brought many of us out and into the yard and the kids to the parks and ball fields. The celebration for the Fire Department and Rescue Squad was a successful event beginning with the parade and ending with the awards celebration at Hunts Mill Park.

As we dig into summer just want to remind everyone that Clinton is a great walking community - we have a uniqueness that not many towns can claim. Let's take advantage and share our walkability as well as getting some great exercise.

As many of you are aware Clinton was named the #1 community for families to live in New Jersey by NJ Family Monthly. We continue to make many other lists as a destination community because of the hard work of our entire community.

As summer begins and the kids are getting out of school, I would like to wish the graduates of Clinton Public School, North Hunterdon and Voorhees High Schools all the best on the next leg of their life journey. Whether you are moving up to high school, going on to college or trade school or even heading out into the working world take each journey as a new learning experience.

As always if there is anything you need or any questions you have please feel free to reach out to me 909-399-8921 or jkovach@clintonnj.gov or any other council member.

**CLINTON TOWN PICNIC**
**SATURDAY**
**JUNE 10TH**

Music, Games and Firework
3:00pm to Dusk
@ Hunt Mill Park
(Rain Date June 17th)

**Receive Email Notices for Important Information and Activities in Town.**
Go to www.clintonnj.gov

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**Saturday, June 3rd**

**Town-Wide Garage/Yard Sale**
@ 9:00am
(Rain or Shine)

**CHIPPING AND BRUSH PICKUP HAS BEGUN**
Will Be Picked Up By Zones
(see recycle brochure for info)

DO NOT MIX LEAVES WITH THE BRANCHES

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**Come Together Music Every Friday Night**

Come out and enjoy music from local artists
Downtown on Main Street

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**Town of Clinton Board of Health Update**

**DOG-WASTE STATIONS**

In our attempt to maintain community health, Town Council has approved the purchase and installation of three dog waste stations. The stations will include a locked box dog waste bag dispenser for town residents and visitors to use while walking their dogs. A reminder, that once properly bagged, dog waste can be disposed of in the general garbage receptacles throughout the Town.
Code Enforcement by Jack Daniels

The summer months are soon to be upon us all and this time of season brings lots of outdoor activities. These various activities and season warrant the following reminders.

Outdoor Cooking – this activity results in fun and fabulous food but can also result in mishaps. Never leave propane tanks turned on when not in use; Never use a grill located too close to the main structure (house); have a fire extinguisher nearby AND know how to use it (remember PASS: Pull, Aim, Squeeze, Sweep); know the emergency phone number to call if need (911); Please don’t be a hero if there is a grill fire – call 911.

Holidays – 4th of July is a great holiday BUT leave the fireworks to the experts. Any type of firework, including sparklers, are illegal in NJ. Please refrain from purchasing them. It is a serious offense if you are caught with them and even worse if you cause a fire as a result of using them.

Lawn Care – while no one’s favorite summer past time, this activity can cause a fire. Never refuel a running OR hot lawn care item; Never refuel a lawn care item inside any part of your home; after use, let the lawn care item cool down before putting it away; store fuel products in approved containers and in proper locations (remember gasoline vapors are heavier than air and will seek a low point before building up).

Fire Safety in your Home – always think and practice fire safety. This includes checking your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, practicing fire drills in your home with everyone including babysitters, knowing 2 ways out, having a planned meeting spot for the family, and taking a walk around the inside of your home to look for any electrical type concerns such as overloading of outlets, improperly used extension cords, etc.

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

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

Jack Daniels, Fire Marshall

Historic Preservation Commission by Roger Mellick

CHPC welcomes Rielly Karsh as a new member of the commission. The commission is in the process of producing a video mostly of interviews with town folks. The videographer will be our friend Mark of Citispot. Anyone who has a particular memory or knowledge of an historic aspect of the town is encouraged to contact myself or any one on the commission. Also, please remember The Red Mill’s exhibit “Over Here, WW I on the Home Front” honoring the 100th anniversary of that war. Please refer to The Red Mill’s website for a schedule of accompanying talks. The exhibit will be there till September 18th and has been receiving great reviews.

Recreation Commission by Beth Sosidka

Tennis Program with Don Berkman

The Town of Clinton Recreation department is very proud to be offering the Clinton Tennis Clinic program for the 18th year! This program is geared for children ages 6-14 and the cost is only $60 for eight 45-minute tennis lessons.

There are two sessions—July 24th to August 3rd and August 7th to August 17th—and lessons are given Monday thru Thursdays at the Clinton Community park. To find the right time for your child and to sign them up, please request a form by emailing monicaberkman@gmail.com. Note that this program fills up very quickly as it’s an affordable way to expose your child to the wonderful world of tennis and get them outdoors playing with other children also learning to play.

Summer Recreation

Registration is open for the Summer Recreation Program held at CPS. See the Recreation Commission page on the Town of Clinton Website for all of the information. Looking forward to another summer of exciting trips, games, and time with friends!

Town Picnic

The Clinton Town Picnic will be on June 10th (rain date June 17th) at Hunts Mill Park from 3:00pm until dusk. Come enjoy live music, inflatables, face painting, kids games, a bake-off contest, fireworks and more! Pack a picnic or purchase grilled food from the Clinton Fire Department. Hope you can make it to this great annual town event! We are looking for some volunteers to help out that day (popcorn, Rita’s, bake off table, etc.)-thank you!

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Public Works / Bus. Administrator by Richard D. Phelan

Project Update - Municipal Parking Lot Improvements
By now, you have probably noticed that both the Lower Center Street and Water Street Municipal Parking lots have undergone some improvements. From time-to-time, these highly utilized parking lots need some attention, which resulted in both lots being repaved and re-striped. In fact, by expanding the parking lot slightly, combined with changing the location of the striping in the Lower Center Lot, we were able to gain 6 additional parking spaces! The final phase of this project, the Municipal Building Parking Lot, will commence on/about June 3rd. Once completed, aside from periodic maintenance, it should last decades. We thank you for your patience during the construction as we understand that it was not convenient.

Reminders/General Information
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.

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 HAZARDOUS WASTE

HUNTERDON COUNTY HAZARDOUS WASTE
July 8 9:00am to 1:00pm  Route 12 County Complex
For More Information Call 908-788-1110

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

For those applicants interested in the new construction located on Halstead Street, which is named “Eastern Hill”, please be patient. These affordable housing units will not be administered by the Town. Instead they will be overseen and administered by the developer of the project, Pizzo and Pizzo. Once the units are near completion, the developer will begin accepting applications and qualifying applicants based on income. For more information on affordable housing, please visit the Town’s website at http://www.clintonnj.gov/affordable_housing.html.

Recreation Commission (continued) by Beth Sosidka

Please see the sign up on Facebook at the “2017 Annual Town of Clinton Picnic” page or we’re also using SignUp.com to organize our upcoming SignUps for the Clinton Town Picnic. Here’s how it works in 3 easy steps:

1) Go to SignUp.com: http://signup.com/go/Fqewvot

2) Review the SignUps listed and choose the one(s) you like.

3) Sign up! It’s Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.com.

Senior Luncheon
This year's Senior Luncheon was held on Sunday, May 7 and a great time was had by all. Thank you so much to the volunteers who delivered food, set up and cleaned up for this wonderful event. Special thanks once again to Craig and Karen Laskey for preparing the delicious meal and dessert! The seniors of our Town enjoyed themselves with great company while enjoying a tasty lunch.
Police Department by Chief R. Brett Matheis

SAFE SUMMERTIME FUN

TOWN NOISE ORDINANCE

Summertime brings a lot of outdoor activity throughout Town and with outdoor activity also comes noise. 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, loud-speakers, 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, so this ordinance provides for exceptions (public safety, emergency work, construction activities, activities on public grounds under authority of or sanctioned by Town Officials) and provides 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 considered a common-law nuisance.

Now I know you’re 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 what can be described as “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.

FIREFLWORKS

The fireworks laws in New Jersey are EXTREMELY restrictive, perhaps the most restrictive in our Country. 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 firework is ILLEGAL and may 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, poptotts 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 fire-works 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 Officials have a ZERO TOLERANCE policy for violations of the State’s Fireworks Laws when they are brought to our attention.

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
First Class of Clinton First Aid & Rescue/ Hunterdon Polytech EMT Students Put Skills to the Test

The first three Hunterdon County Polytech high school students to earn high school credits while taking the EMT course at Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad’s training center literally put the skills they’ve learned to the test at an April 29 mock “mass-casualty” training incident.

Makeup artists transformed actors into realistic looking “victims,” and by observing the “injuries” and asking those actors who are supposed to be injured responsive questions, the Polytech students and their 14 EMT course classmates assessed the ailments and determined proper treatment, and began that treatment in a triage setting.

Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad (CFARS) and Hunterdon Polytech recently formed a partnership that allows Hunterdon County high school students to receive credits while training with CFARS. The first small batch of students started in January and have completed their course work. They also must pass a written exam and a practical exam to successfully complete the CFARS EMT course, said EMS Lieutenant and Training Officer Michelle Gardner. At that point, they are eligible to sit for either the state or national certification exam.

“It was really fast paced, and I did enjoy how realistic it was,” said Liam Fleisher, an 18-year-old Clinton First Aid/Hunterdon Polytech student who took on triage, treatment, and transport roles during the drill. He said that thanks to the drill, he’s better prepared if he should ever face a similar situation in real life. “I have a much better understanding of what needs to be done and how to handle it,” Fleisher said.

This new partnership fits the missions of both Clinton First Aid & Rescue and Polytech. Polytech aims to prepare students for future careers through both education and experience, and there is a growing need for qualified and well-trained certified emergency personnel throughout the county, state, and nation. CFARS knows about the need for EMTs first-hand. In response to a surge in calls for emergency assistance, the non-profit, volunteer-led squad launched a new volunteer recruitment campaign last year.

“The mock mass casualty exercise did exactly what we planned – it put our EMT students of all ages in a situation as similar as possible to a real life emergency,” Gardner said. “I’m delighted with the way they handled it and am so proud of this next generation of EMTs.”

Interested high school students should talk to their high school guidance counselor or call Tanya Nalesnik, Student Services Coordinator at Polytech at (908) 788-1119 ext. 2029. Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad needs volunteers of all ages, and the EMT course is free for volunteers. Those interested should visit www.JoinClintonEMS.com or call 844-4-Clinton.

Police Department (continued) by Chief R. Brett Matheis

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 municipal services for residents and visitors to Clinton so please do not hesitate to call on us 24/7/365 and if we cannot assist you we will refer you to someone who can.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Hosting a summer picnic or a party?, please be reminded that the consumption of alcoholic beverages in 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 the alcoholic beverages.

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.
Clinton Fire Department
2nd Annual

Craft Beer Festival

Saturday September 23, 2017 1 PM - 5 PM
1 New Street Clinton NJ

Tickets:
$10 Non-Drinker – includes bottled water
$45 General Admission – includes tasting of all beers
$65 VIP Session – includes 1 hour private tasting 12 PM – 1 PM,
general admission, and 1 food voucher

Purchase Tickets Online: www.BeerFests.com and search for Clinton Fire Department
Clinton Conservancy by Kathy Madden

Clinton Conservancy Gardens and Clinton Green Team can start turning the entire Town of Clinton into a Butterfly Habitat...

On May 19th, Sustainable Jersey awarded a $10,000 grant to the Town to create a Wildlife Habitat for birds, butterflies and other pollinators at Water Street Park and plant butterfly/pollinator gardens along the fitness trail. We will begin immediately at the Water Street Park and plant the fitness trail in the fall. The Conservancy and the Green Team worked together with the Town to apply for the grant, now you too can help by planting your own butterfly garden.

Thanks to the generosity of Gulshan Chhabra from Clinton Holiday Inn, we already have a great start. Two large dogwood trees were recently planted at Water Street Park.

Thanks also to Clinton Presbyterian Church volunteers for clearing the branches, trash and leaves that were piled against the berm. We are also working on creating a “decorative sculpture” by painting the old sewer pipe at Water Street Park with flowers and pollinators. You will be amazed when you see it completed by some of our talented members.

If you are looking for the best flowers, herbs, trees, shrubs and vines to plant in your butterfly garden visit the NJ Audubon Society website and search for “Recommended Plantings to Attract Hummingbirds, Butterflies, & Moths” by Patricia Sutton and check out the “chocolate cake” flowers. The butterfly garden designs on the Clinton Conservancy website use those recommended plants. Most are deer resistant and drought tolerant.

An interesting fact to keep in mind is that a single butterfly can lay 1,000 eggs but only five percent turn into butterflies. Birds, spiders, wasps and other insects eat both eggs and caterpillars. Monarchs lay their eggs exclusively on milkweed. Black Swallowtails, on parsley, dill, fennel, rue, and Queen Anne’s Lase. So check out those herbs before eating them. Other butterfly species have their own favorites. The Audubon listing, mentioned above, provides information on specific herbs for each butterfly. Caterpillars eat a tremendous amount before turning into a butterfly so it is nearly more important to plant more herbs or host plants, as they are called, than flowers.

Help all pollinators survive by going organic. Use insecticidal soap sprays to chase away harmful insects and use corn gluten as a fertilizer and weed deterrent on both lawns and flower gardens. Neither will harm children or pets. Don’t use corn gluten in areas where you are planting seed. That seed won’t sprout either. If used every year, you will see fewer weeds in your garden and have a beautiful lawn.

When buying plants, or seeds, ask if they are neonicotinoid-free. Many plants, including those sold in big box stores and many nurseries, have been treated with this chemical that is absorbed by, and remains in, every part of the plant, including the pollen. Neonicotinoids affect the central nervous system of insects, resulting in paralysis and death. For more information on raising Monarch butterflies and buying milkweed, check out tony@monarchbutterflygarden.net. Evidently, buying milkweed treated with neem oil, which is considered “organic”, can be deadly to butterflies.

If you want to get involved with Clinton Conservancy Gardens, even in a small way, call me at 908-735-8301. Once you have your butterfly garden started and you start seeing small caterpillars on your herbs, you may want to try your hand at raising butterflies to improve their five percent chance of survival.

Primary Election: June 6, 2017
6:00 AM to 8:00 PM
@ the Community Center, Halstead Street

General Election: November 7, 2017

Save the Date for the 9-11 Ceremony
Honor heroes with us on Monday 9/11 as we pay tribute to our Veterans and First Responders. The community meets 8-9am at Patriots Point (in front of The Clinton House) to refresh the colors on the flagpole and hear from our different departments as well as our Veteran organizations. Let’s applaud their efforts in keeping Clinton Town well-protected.

A collection will be made for Veterans Haven North. Feel free to bring Twin XL bed-in-a-bag sets and pillows for the incoming residents. Any monetary donations will go toward same.
Council Highlights by Nancy Burgess

February 14, 2017
~ Sharon Bittenmaster, Chair of the Board of Health, came before Council to address installing dog waste containers and baggie dispensers in a few locations in Town.
~ Kathy Madden, member of the Clinton Conservancy Group, distributed copies of a Sustainable Jersey Grant the Green Team is applying for.
~ Mayor Kovach said the Women’s Guild of Clinton held a luncheon and invited members of the Clinton Police Department, First Aid & Rescue Squad and Council to show their appreciation for everything they do for the community.
~ Mayor Kovach presented a proclamation to Jack Jeffries who has been a member of the Recreation Commission for over 15 years and is stepping down.
~ Councilwoman Dineen reported the Town of Clinton was named number one for the 2017 Best Community for Families to live in according to the New Jersey Family Magazine.

February 28, 2017
~ Mayor Kovach received a letter of resignation from Dave Sosidka who is stepping down from the Historic Commission.
~ Introduction of the 2017 Municipal Budget was presented.
~ Councilwoman Sosidka reported the Historic Commission has been discussing ideas and are interested in making a video of the history of Clinton.
~ Councilman Pendergast received a membership application from Tony Watts to join the Clinton Fire Department.

March 15, 2017
~ Councilman Smith summarized the proclamation designated March 19-25, 2017 as National Poison Prevention Week.
~ A resolution was adopted to allow BYOB for the Town Picnic event at Hunts Mill Park to be held June 10, 2017.
~ A resolution was adopted to allow fireworks at the Town Picnic held at Hunts Mill Park.
~ Councilwoman Dineen reported this year’s Arbor Day tree planting will be dedicated to the Clinton Fire Department and The Clinton First Aid and Rescue Squad. The tree will be planted in front of the demolished Music Hall on West Main Street.
~ Councilman Smith reported the Clinton Rescue Squad is solely purchasing a heavy duty rescue truck.

March 28, 2017
~ Mr. Joe Piscopo introduced himself to Mayor and Council concerning his possibility of running for the New Jersey 2017 gubernatorial election.
~ Mayor Kovach announced the Town of Clinton was named number one for the 2017 Best Community for Families to live in according to the New Jersey Family Magazine.
~ A motion was made to adopt the 2017 Municipal Budget.
~ A resolution was adopted to award the contract to pave the municipal parking lots to JTG Construction.
~ Councilwoman Sosidka reported the Annual Senior Luncheon will be held May 7, 2017.
~ Councilwoman Sosidka informed Mayor and Council the summer recreation forms and information will be available soon on the Town’s website.

April 11, 2017
~ Mayor Kovach produced the Annual Arbor Day Proclamation that will be read at the celebration on Friday, April 28, 2017.
~ Councilman Pendergast received a membership application from Lucas Bardecker to join the Clinton Fire Department.

April 25, 2017
~ Members from the Clinton Fire and Rescue Parade Committee came to officially invite Mayor and Council to participate riding in the parade.
~ A presentation from Gilbert Andwati, Co Founder of Hope For The Hurt Campaign, explaining what his campaign is all about. He asked Mayor and Council for their support in the way of a proclamation and a day dedicated to his campaign.
~ A power point was presented by Andrew Camp, from the Hunterdon County Department of Public Safety Division of Emergency Management, and Karen DeMarco from the Hunterdon County Division of Public Health, to explain what the County is doing to prepare for a catastrophic situation.
~ Mr. Marc Saluk, Hunterdon County Economic Development Director, addressed Mayor and Council about the current initiatives his department is doing to revitalize Hunterdon County.
~ Copies of the 2016 Annual Audit have been distributed to Mayor and Council for their review.
~ Chief Matheis reported many activities will be going on in Town such as the Arbor Day tree planting, the Annual Fishing Derby at DeMott Pond, and a gala at the Hunterdon Art Museum. Officers will be out monitoring all the events.
~ Councilman Smith said he read an article about the reservoir drought however the Town of Clinton Water Department’s well levels are fine.
~ Councilman Pendergast said he and Mayor Kovach attended the Hunterdon County Fire Chief Association meeting. Topics were the response times for the volunteer departments, having paid staff in some sites throughout the County, and ways to handle the diminishing supply of volunteers for the future if needed.
Around the Town

Sunday, May 7th through October
Clinton Farmer’s Market Returns !!!!
Sundays, 9am-1pm, weather-permitting
at the Clinton Fire Dept.
parking lot (1 New Street)
Fresh local farm products!

Friday, May 26th through September
Music on Main Street
Come Together: Music On Main Street returns, Every Friday, 7pm on Main St.

Saturday, June 3rd
Town Wide Yard Sale
Starting at 9am
Rain or Shine

Sunday, June 4th
British Car Day
10am - 3pm
Red Mill Museum 908-735-4101

Saturday, June 10th
Annual Town Picnic
Hunts Mill Park
3:00pm to Dusk
(Rain Date June 17th)

Friday, June 16th
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 16th
Clinton Fire Dept. Grill Night
5:30pm at the Fire House
Come out and enjoy hamburgers, hotdogs, clams and other delicious items.

Monday, June 19th
HAM Summer camps begin
Hunterdon Art Museum - 908-735-8415
www.hunterdonartmuseum.org

Saturday, June 24th
Two Mills Plein Air Festival
Hunterdon Art Museum & Red Mill Museum
are teaming up to sponsor this event
Artists of all skill levels are welcome to work with watercolors, pastels, charcoal, or any other media
For more info & registration call 908-735-8415

Sunday, June 25th
Classic Car Show
10am 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)

Thursday thru Sunday, July 13th - 16th
Black Potatoe Music Festival
Featuring 39 bands on 2 stages
located at the Red Mill Museum
for info and tickets go to
http://theblackpotatooe.com

Saturday, July 15th
‘Sprintin’ Clinton 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run
Registration 7:30am Start time 8:00am
Clinton Community Center, Halstead Street
Sponsored by Clinton Sunrise Rotary Club
908-279-0112
www.clintonsunriserotary.org

Sunday, July 16th
28th Annual RUBBER DUCKY RACE
2pm @ downtown Clinton
Purchase duck for $10 to win prizes
Come and to root for your favorite duck!!!
For info: www.clintonsunriserotary.org

Saturday, July 29th
Annual Blood Drive @ Clinton Firehouse
9:00am to 12noon
sponsored by the Clinton Sunrise Rotary

Saturday, August 26th
Free Movie Night
@ Red Mill Museum
Call 908-735-4101 for details
The mission of Clinton Public School is to inspire our students to become contributing members of society who are independent, innovative, life-time learners equipped with the necessary skills to meet the demands of our ever-changing world.

Notes from the Board

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

As CPS hurdles through spring, we want to congratulate the middle school team for the trophy they earned for their catapult in the recent State Technology Association competition. Activities like this as well as the robotics club and junior solar sprints are just some of the ways our children are learning to innovate. Mrs. Turner will also be launching a new project as CPS establishes its first literary magazine, an authentic publication in both paper and digital form, to highlight the creative work of the students. Be sure to look for it soon.

The staff has been hard at work on all academic fronts as students shift into PARCC testing, and the teachers will soon be facilitating the fourth in a series of school-wide class meetings to discuss what it means to be a caring and compassionate learning community member. May 9th is teacher appreciation day and the board would like to take this opportunity to thank all the teachers, staff, and administration at CPS for all they do for our children. Our school is a unique learning community and we look forward to all of the creative and innovative ways our teachers engage our children and make learning fun and memorable.

As always, we invite you to attend our meetings or visit the website to see the regular tweets of our staff as they capture the magic of CPS. Enjoy the spring weather because summer will be here before you know it.

Sincerely,

Brendan McIsaac (President), Craig Sowell (Vice President), Charles Sampson, Carl Sabbatino, Lorraine Linfante
From the Superintendent/Principal

Dr. Seth Cohen

I can not believe that it is June already! So many wonderful events so far this year and more to follow! Please save the following dates:

| June 1     | Grades 5-8 Field Day |
| June 2     | Egg Drop             |
| June 5     | Spring Concert       |
| June 6     | PTO Meeting & Grade 8 Sports Banquet |
| June 7     | Forces & Motion Assembly and 12:45 Dismissal |

| June 8     | Grades 3 & 4 Field Day |
| June 12    | 100+ Book Award (Swim with the Sharks Video) |
| June 16    | 12:45 Dismissal       |
| June 19    | 12:45 Dismissal - Last day for Students and Graduation |
| June 20    | Last day for Staff    |

Over the past year, as a staff, we analyzed and reflected upon our master schedule. We researched similar districts, connected to our mission and presented a few changes to the Clinton-Glen Gardner Board of Education. Please find the presentation at the following http://www.cpsnj.org/Page/852. Some of the highlights include:

Moved all K-4 specials to after lunch

Increased ELA time in grade 5 from 65 minutes daily to 80 minutes daily.

Increased Math time in grade 5 from 65 minutes daily to 80 minutes daily.

Entire school on trimesters

Increased ELA time in grade 6 from 65 minutes daily to 80 minutes daily.

Rotational Academic Periods in grades 7&8

Lunch/Recess now 40 minutes for students in 5-8 (20 minute outdoor recess or 20 independent study)

Changed “Activity Period” from a 30 minute free period to a 40 minute elective period--based upon a 60 day trimester. Course selections include:

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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 — 7:00 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

SMART GROWTH COMMITTEE — 7:00 PM  First Monday of each month

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