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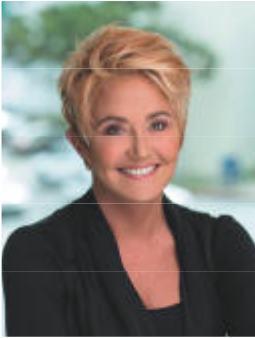
2020

Town of Clinton
Holiday Season

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FROM THE MAYOR



**JANICE
KOVACH**

In January we all looked forward to the new year and a new decade. Word play on the roaring 20s was the theme for many a party! Well 2020 did roar in - in a way that no one anticipated.

While the challenges have been constant I have watched our community continue to come together and support one another.

Whether it is shopping in our Main Street businesses, eating in our restaurants, supporting local Not-for-Profits or buying orange bows to help a local student fighting leukemia, you each step up each and every time.

I would also like to take a moment and welcome the many new families that have

decided to call Clinton home - I hope that you enjoy this community as much as I do and always know that you can reach out with any question or concern.

And finally, as many of you have heard me say, I will not miss 2020 overall...yet if I had to find the silver lining, it's that I have watched families and friends reconnect, more outside play (soccer in the park on Sunday mornings!), quite a few more dogs and the opportunity to work on a puzzle, play a board game and even binge watch multiple seasons of our new favorite television shows.

Stay safe, stay healthy, enjoy your family and friends and the holidays that will be here before we know it. My cell is 908-399-8921 or email jkovach@clintonnj.gov.

Be well and stay safe and we will come out on the opposite side stronger and better!

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TOWN COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

AUGUST 12, 2020

HONORING FRANK C. HOOPER

The Town Council observed a moment of silence for Frank C. Hooper, long-time resident, and prominent Hunterdon County community leader. Mr. Hooper was the grand marshal of the annual Christmas parade.

REDEVELOPMENT ORDINANCES

The public hearings were held for the ordinances approving the redevelopment plans for both the former A&P site, and the former Global Agway & current Fox lumber sites, and the ordinances were passed.

NEW HIRE

Jeffrey Dysart was hired as a Custodian.

AUGUST 26, 2020

POLICE APPOINTMENT

Matthew Ellis completed his probationary year and was appointed as a full-time Patrolman to the Town of Clinton Police Department.

PLAYGROUND PLANS

Landscape architects from Suburban Consulting Engineers shared their design for the revitalization of the playground at the Community Center. Adult volunteers are needed for sponsorship, construction, marketing, and public relations. Seventh and eighth grade volunteers are needed for the Children's Input committee! Contact Councilwoman Johnson.

FIREWORKS

A fireworks display is scheduled at Hunts Mill Park on Saturday, September 5th.

SEPTEMBER 9, 2020

TOWN-WIDE GARAGE SALE

Town-wide garage sale is scheduled for Saturday, September 26, 2020

PARK CLEANUP

Thank you to Nancy and Dale Garlick, of 11 Rachel Court, who spruced up the Community Center park;

raking sand and pulling weeds, with the help of their grandchildren!

COUNTY COMMUNITY CHALLENGE

Hunterdon Strong Community Challenge begins September 23, and runs through November 13, 2020. The municipalities in Hunterdon County will be competing to see which can raise the most money to support 12 non-profit community organizations. Winning municipalities will receive money for their schools.

FORMER RESIDENTS HONORED

Long-time residents John and Kathy Madden who had decided to relocate, were honored with a proclamation. They leave behind many beautiful butterfly gardens and plantings that Clinton residents will enjoy for many years to come.

FIRST RESPONDERS EVENT

A special event application was approved for a First Responders Event, honoring all local first responders, held on Saturday, September 19, 2020 at Hunts Mill Park.

SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

HONORING FALLEN FIREFIGHTER

The Mayor and Council held a moment of silence, and presented a proclamation for Clinton resident and CFD firefighter Timothy Hagan, who passed away on August 24, 2020.

TWO POLICE APPOINTMENTS

Michael Del Russo and Jose Gonzalez completed their probationary year and were appointed as full-time Patrolmen to the Town of Clinton Police Department.

HIGHLANDS GRANT

Council passed a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant to the New Jersey Highlands Council for a central business district market study and strategic economic development plan.

SUPPORTING CPS STUDENT

Orange ribbons are available to purchase for \$10 at Clinton Public School and some downtown retailers as a fundraiser in support of a student at CPS who is suffering from leukemia.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

OCTOBER 14, 2020

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE ORDINANCE

Council passed Ordinance #20-19 which amends the code of the Town to establish minimum property maintenance standards.

TWO POLICE APPOINTMENTS

Tim McGuire and Jeff Ollerenshaw have completed their probationary year and were appointed as full-time Sergeants to the Town of Clinton Police Dept.

COUNTY COVID-19 GRANT

Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders created the COVID-19 Municipal Grant program to assist municipalities with the unanticipated costs associated with the pandemic, such as the cost of PPE, employee overtime, retrofitting public spaces, etc. The amount of funding will be determined on the basis of population, with a minimum grant of \$1,000 and a maximum grant of \$5,000.

Council Meetings are held at 7:30 PM on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month.

SENIORS


SENIORS RESOURCES DURING COVID

As you know, due to COVID restrictions many senior related programs and activities have been suspended until such time as it is safe to reopen and resume offerings. In the meantime, it's

important to remember that the County's Division of Senior, Disabilities & Veterans Services is open for phone calls and e-mails only. The Senior Center building in Flemington is still closed; however, staff is available to take your calls and e-mails and any answer questions you have.

Please visit them via the website: www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/aging or by phone at 908 788-1361.

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TOWN UPDATES

WEST MAIN STREET WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT

The Town of Clinton Water Department undergoes many infrastructure projects throughout our service area each year. Whether it is replacing a water main or making upgrades to our well houses, all of these projects ensure that the water we provide to our customers is of the highest quality with the least interruption in service. As part of our ongoing Capital Improvement Plan, approximately 3,000 feet of water main that has reached the end of its useful life located on West Main Street was replaced this summer/fall. We are pleased to say that the project went smoothly and all of the construction has been completed.

WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

The Town's Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) has the ability to receive and treat up to 2.3 million gallons per day of sewage, which as you can image is no small task. Just through normal use, large and small equipment needs to be regularly maintained and/or replaced. Currently, the Town is replacing several large pieces of equipment located in our Filter and Residuals Building, as well as making mandated electrical upgrades. The difficulty in replacing any equipment at a WWTP, regardless of the size, is that the flow of sewage never stops. We have put in place temporary treatment options that allow access the equipment that needs to be replaced while making sure the sewage is properly treated. As you can imagine, this is no small feat to accomplish. We are very thankful that we have experienced WWTP employees and a communicative contractor, making this difficult process go relatively smoothly. We expect work to continue over the winter months and be completed by early spring.

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.clintonnj.gov/forms.html.

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/clintonnj
 - * YouTube—<https://bit.ly/2P8uINh>
- ◆ Town of Clinton Police Department - <https://bit.ly/3bTpiJK>
- ◆ 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

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

The Town of Clinton Council, at the recommendation of the Environmental Commission, has passed an ordinance that requires all property owners to keep their properties free of litter, debris, and toxic substances that can potentially blow into the surrounding wooded areas or run-off into our streams. Our goal is to reduce the amount of negative impact we are having on our local environment. Please pick up your garbage or recycling during windy days, and keep your properties clean so that we can keep Clinton a beautiful and safe place.

CHRISTMAS TREES

Discarded trees will be collected curbside the first 2 weeks of January.

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 Ramsey Road), and are open Monday through Friday from 7AM – 3PM.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SHOPPING DISTRICT SIDEWALK ASSESSMENT

The Town of Clinton Economic Development Committee (EDC), in cooperation with the Clinton Roads Committee, and GoHunterdon, is pursuing a business zone sidewalk assessment. The assessment will evaluate the state of the sidewalks available throughout the business zone within the Town. This assessment will enable the EDC and the Roads Committee to better understand the state of the sidewalks that currently exist, the absence of sidewalks, and the need for pedestrian and cyclist improvements within our business zone. Our hope is to begin this process in the fourth quarter of 2020 with information to be processed and available for use throughout the first quarter of 2021.

SUPPORTING BUSINESS OWNERS

The EDC also wants to continue encouraging residents to shop locally and supporting our downtown shops and restaurants. During the COVID

-19 pandemic and economic upheaval our Main Street and surrounding businesses need our support. With the holiday season upon us it is a great time to visit your favorite shops and restaurants. We know that they appreciate your continued support.

BUSINESS LISTING

You may have noticed that we are listing Clinton Town businesses in the center of the newsletter. Last issue we focused on Retail Shops and Restaurants; this issue we share our Service Businesses. Our next issue for March 2021, we will feature home-based businesses and gig/freelance professionals. If you are interested in being listed, please email rkarsh@clintonnj.gov.

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LAND USE BOARD

DUNKIN DONUTS/SHELL GAS STATION

Two meetings were held in September to hear the Shell gas station application for an accessory use of a drive thru Dunkin Donuts shop.

The property will be improved with an updated gas service station with a 1,050 square foot Dunkin coffee shop with drive thru window, two menu boards, a preview board and two stacking lanes, along with associated improvements including new parking spaces, upgraded perimeter sidewalk area with partial guard-rail protection, upgraded driveway designs, pedestrian safety features, new site and canopy lighting, loading area, wall and freestanding signage, landscaping and trash receptacle. More information is available at www.clintonnj.gov/land-use-board/events/11883

FORMER A&P REDEVELOPMENT

We also held two meetings in October to hear the Ingerman Development application for the A&P redevelopment project. On October 13th the Board approved the preliminary and final site plan with a sign variance and agreed upon conditions. More information is available at www.clintonnj.gov/land-use-board/events/27856

THANK YOU

To everyone who helped with this process: thank you! Mr. Geoff Long, representing the developer, spent a lot of time and care to connect with residents, Town professionals, and the Town Historic Commission to design a project that will be good for our community. We thank him for his efforts.

We would also like to take a

moment to note that our Land Use Board members are volunteers who live in our community. They go to classes, give up their evenings and sit through hours of meetings to ensure applicants are heard fairly and the best interests of the town are represented. The Town would like to thank them for their time and dedication to this process. It is an honor to work with you all.

Our regular monthly meetings are held at 7pm on the first Tuesday of every month. Location information and the proposed agenda can be found in the calendar link on the website.

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CHRISTMAS PARADE



CLINTON
Christmas
PARADE

Friday, December 4, 2020
DRIVE BY FORMAT
34th Annual Clinton Christmas Parade

YES, THERE WILL BE A CHRISTMAS PARADE!

This year's Guild of Clinton Christmas Parade will **CHANGE** to a **DRIVE BY FORMAT**.

The parade will still take place on Friday December 4th, 2020 at 7PM as always, with the change being in its size and route.

The route will be approximately 7.5 miles in length, meandering throughout the towns limits. This years Parade will consist of only the Clinton Police Dept, Clinton Fire Dept, Clinton Rescue Squad, the Beloved Hooper Fire Truck and several professional floats carrying our beloved costumed characters (socially

distanced-of course) and ends with the arrival of Santa himself.

Plans are being developed to better inform parade goers of exactly how to best enjoy this years parade. We encourage all Clinton residents along the parade route to illuminate their homes and yards and enjoy viewing the parade from the comfort of their home and front porch.

Please check for further updates at www.theclintonchristmasparade.com and www.facebook.com/clintonchristmasparade, or call 908-735-8010 with any questions.

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Accounting

Accounting Services of Clinton

65 Old Hwy 22 Suite 2
(888) 732-5414

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28 Center St

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Edward Jones

44 Main St
(908) 730-7510

Elevate Wealth Planning

21 Main St
(908) 323-2585

Investors Bank

55 Old Hwy 22
(908) 735-7000

JK Financial Services LLC

12 Lower Center St #9
(732) 735-6893

PNC Bank

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Riegel Federal Credit Union

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(908) 730-8773

Securities America Inc

23 E Main St
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(908) 730-0811

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7 Old Hwy 22
(908) 238-0498

Gap Haircutters

110 W Main St
(908) 735-9125

The Haircutters

44 Old Hwy 22 # 1
(908) 735-5313

The Look at Clinton an AVEDA Salon

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(908) 735-7432

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32 Old Hwy 22
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21 Old Hwy 22
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Health Care and Wellness

BrightStar Care of Hunterdon

65 Old Hwy 22, Ste. 4
(908) 627-4600

Cameron James DC

65 Old Hwy 22 # 1A
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59 Old Hwy 22
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LightSource Chiropractic

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54 Old Hwy 22
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North Hunterdon Dental Associates

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NuLife Healing Center

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Reiner Insurance

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49 Main St #4
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TSS Photography

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59 Old Hwy 22
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12 W Main St
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Next Step Advising, LLC

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Teracore

35 Leigh St
(908) 735-0231

United States Postal Service

24 E Main St
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ACTIVITIES

Hunts Mill Drive-In Raises \$2800 For Clinton Guild Business Relief

A new generation was introduced to "The Goonies" on Sept. 26, when the '80s coming-of-age classic was screened in Hunts Mill Park. The drive-in movie – a first for many children in the audience – was organized by The Clinton Guild in coordination with the Recreation Commission.

Tickets for 76 cars were sold, which brought in more than 300



spectators to the socially distanced event. Between the \$25 charged per ticket and sponsorships donated by more than half a dozen local businesses, roughly \$2800 was raised for the Clinton Guild Business Relief Fund – which

supports town businesses during the pandemic.

More than 20 volunteers pitched in to make this event possible. The group oversaw everything from planning, packing candy and ticket collection to welcoming, parking direction and cleanup. Financial sponsors included Clinton Development Partners LLC, Reiner Insurance, Cross Country Mortgage, Tranquilli Financial Advisor, TownePlace Suites by Marriott Clinton, Ingberman, ShopRite of Clinton, Rothenberg Law Office, and Rental Center USA.

BOARD OF HEALTH

PET RABIES CLINIC

The Board of Health is working with veterinarians to host a possible drive-thru rabies clinic in January. Clinics are also being held in Hunterdon County on the following dates:

- ◆ November 14 (9:00-11:00 am) - High Bridge, 95 West Main Street
- ◆ December 5 (10:00 am-12:00 pm) - Delaware Twp, Sergeantsville Rd
- ◆ December 5 (9:00-10:00 am) - Flemington Fire Station, Park Avenue
- ◆ January 9, 2021 (1:00-3:00 pm) - Glen Gardner Fire House, 2168 Hwy 31
- ◆ January 16, 2021 (1:00-4:00 pm) - East Amwell, 1070 Rt. 202/31



SHADE TREE COMMISSION

SPOTTED LANTERN FLY

The spotted lanternfly has been a common sight in Clinton this year. The colorful insects were transported to the United States in Pennsylvania in 2014 and have been spreading ever since. The insect is a planthopper—using its wings mainly to jump from one plant to another. They fall or get blown out of trees. Then they try to crawl back up the tree which is why you see them clustered on the trunks of trees.

The Spotted Lanternfly (or SFL) feeds by piercing the tissue of foliage and young stems and sucking the sap leaving behind a sugar substance that draws fungi. This in turn weakens and may kill the host plant or tree. There are over 70 species of trees that are impacted including grapevines and fruit trees, sumac, maple birch, tree of heaven, and black walnut.

According to the Penn State Extension web site, there are

some steps you can take to help stop the spread of the insects.

Be careful not to transport SFLs. Check your car and any outdoor items you are moving (grills, outdoor furniture, landscaping supplies, mowers, etc.). Check for SLF egg masses from September



through June. Remember that egg masses may be underneath your car or in your wheel wells. During all other times of the year, check for nymphs and adults, and keep your windows rolled up when you park. Don't store things

or park under infested trees, and don't move firewood.

Walk around your property to check for egg masses on trees, cement blocks, rocks, and any other hard surface. If you find egg masses on your property from September to May, you can scrape them off using a plastic card or putty knife (see below). Scrape them into a bag or container filled with rubbing alcohol or hand sanitizer and keep them in this solution permanently. Egg masses can also be smashed. Remember that some eggs will be unreachable at the tops of trees, in other well-hidden areas, and throughout your neighborhood and community. Be aware that this method may not reduce the number of nymph or adult SLF you see later in the year.

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POLICE

SNOW RULES

Snow is beautiful when it is falling, but it causes real safety issues on our roads and sidewalks. We have explained below the ordinances in town that govern snow removal and help keep us all safe.

115-1 Duty to Remove Snow:

Sections A & B require the owner, occupant or tenant of premises in town to remove all snow and ice from the sidewalks on streets and abutting right-of-way used by the public (or in the event of ice that can't be removed, to be thoroughly covered with sand or ashes), within 12 hours of daylight after the snow falls or the ice

forms. For business owners, occupants or tenants, all snow and ice must be removed from the sidewalks, streets, rights-of-way and parking areas used by the public (in the event of ice which may be so frozen as to make removal impractical, thoroughly cover with sand or ashes) within 12 hours of daylight after the snow falls or the ice forms.

115-2 Depositing Snow or Ice on Street:

No owner, tenant or occupant of premises shall deposit snow or ice on any street.

135-4 Parking Prohibited Certain Hours for Snow Plowing and Removal: *Section A* prohibits parking of any vehicle

on any portion of a public road, street or highway in the town between 2:00 am and 6:00 am whenever snow has fallen and the accumulation covers the public road, street or highway. This parking prohibition shall remain in effect until the streets and roads have been plowed sufficiently and when parking will not interfere with the normal flow of traffic. *Section B* permits the police to remove, at the owners cost, any unoccupied or standing vehicle that hamper traffic or proper snow removal.

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CLINTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

Curiosity, creativity and compassion are three words found in the Clinton Public School mission. Historically, these words resonated with the Great Pumpkin Race, 3D printers, Hunterdon County Meals on Wheels, Future Cities, outdoor classrooms, buddy classrooms, peer leadership and many other CPS annual activities and institutions. In the 2020-2021 school year these words have taken on new meaning.

Curiosity. We asked ourselves: What would school look like this year? Would it be difficult to wear a mask? How would we assess? Could we ride the bus? Would we have recess? What types of supplies would we need? How would we eat snack? Would we be safe?

Creativity. As we walk through the school rooms and halls, they are warm and inviting. Children are wearing masks and face coverings but you can still tell when they are smiling. Desks for reading assessments are present and

microphones are in most classrooms. The bus arrives at school each day and safely takes the children home. Students run outside at recess and have invented a few new socially distant games! New supplies can be found in all classrooms, bathrooms and entrances. Personalized art kits and upgraded technologies keep our children connected. We eat our snacks, smile and stay safe.

Compassion. I think we are all experiencing this pandemic through our own lens. Faculty, staff, parents and students have good days and other days that are a challenge. Regardless of the day, one trait that we share as CPS Bulldogs, and members of the CPS community is compassion. We support each other by **C**aring, with **P**atience and showing **S**upport!

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NORTH HUNTERDON-VORHEES HIGH SCHOOLS

ADAPTING TO COVID-19

The 2020-2021 school year has been a unique year so far to say the least. As outlined in its reopening plan, the high school district continues its hybrid instruction schedule, with Group A & B cohorts alternating weekly between in-person instruction and virtual instruction (100% virtual instruction is also an option). All classes are on synchronous learning, meaning students at home are on the same bell schedule as students in school and everyone is in class together, both in-school and virtually at home. Due to social distancing restrictions and spacing concerns, the school district continues to operate on an early dismissal schedule as

lunches cannot be served safely with masks off for eating. If guidelines are relaxed by the Governor and NJ Department of Education, the district can revisit its reopening plan and make schedule changes.

FALL AND WINTER SPORTS

We were happy to see our fall sports teams out on the playing fields again. Though spectators were limited to 500 at games, we greatly appreciate the parents and family members that came out to cheer on our athletes. The home football games were live streamed for those who were unable to attend. Live streaming of events will continue into the winter season as well, with winter

sports competition starting on December 21. Please follow our Athletics departments on Twitter for the latest updates (North Athletics - @NHHS_Lions and Voorhees Athletics - @VOO_Athletics).

If we are able to make any changes to the hybrid schedule, we will share that information with parents and post it on the district website, www.nhvweb.net. We greatly appreciate the community's support and cooperation with following CDC and health department guidelines. All of our efforts will be needed to stop the spread of COVID-19, which will help to keep schools open for in-person instruction.

FIRE PREVENTION

USING THE RIGHT SMOKE ALARM

Do you know what type of smoke alarm to use? There are 2 types; photoelectric and ionization. They each will sound if smoke is detected, BUT how they detect the presence of smoke is the important difference. Photoelectric smoke alarms tend to respond faster to the smoke produced by smoldering fires while ionization smoke alarms tend to respond faster to the smoke produced by flaming fires.

It is important to understand how these devices work in order to properly choose and place them.

Photoelectric alarms function when smoke particles enter the alarm and cause the light beam to scatter triggering the alarm. Photoelectric alarms are better in cooking environments or where there is steam. For ionization alarms, a very simplistic explanation of how it functions is that 2 "charged" plates are present. When smoke particles enter the alarm certain ions react with that smoke and cause the alarm to activate. **The best alarm to use is a dual function device or a mix of both photoelectric and ion alarms.**

The bottom line is to have working alarms throughout work home; on all levels including the basement to

"catch" smoke before it ascends to the floor above. Stairs act like chimneys so proper placement is always at the base of the stairs. Make certain that alarms are located within 10 feet of ALL sleeping rooms on all levels. If your home has electrical interconnected alarms do not replace them with battery only devices. If there are only battery operated alarms these need to be the newer sealed lithium type. And don't forget the carbon monoxide alarm located within 10 feet of all sleeping rooms.

The Clinton Fire Department in conjunction with the Town of Clinton Fire Prevention Bureau and the State Division of Fire Safety have a limited supply of sealed lithium battery type alarms available for those families in need. The DFS received these alarms through the generosity of Kidde Fire Safety. If anyone has a need please contact the Clinton Fire Department (www.clintonfd.org/contact) or me.

If anyone would like to speak to me regarding anything dealing with fire prevention matters, please contact me via email, my office at 908-735-2275 or via cell @ 908-468-1696. I would be happy to assist you.

Jack Daniels, Clinton Fire Marshal
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FIRE DEPARTMENT

NEW FIREFIGHTER GEAR

In August we responded to 17 calls for service, 21 in September and 18 calls as of October 27. Our total calls for the year is 223.

In September we purchased five new sets of structural firefighting gear at the cost of \$16,250. The gear was distributed to our members who needed it and their old gear was washed and inspected. The old gear was stored to be used as spare or for future members.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Fire Prevention week is in October, however due to COVID 19 restrictions a decision was made not to do our usual programs and visit local schools. Fire Commissioner Mike Humphrey volunteered to shoot two videos for us to use for a virtual fire prevention presentation for our

students and families.

REPAIRED ENGINE

Our 2001 Engine returned in October after a few months of being off the road for service and repairs. The repairs cost CFD over \$20,000. We are happy to have it back in town serving all of you.

The Chief, Deputy Chief, Fire Marshall, and other officers met on multiple occasions to review plans for the A&P re-development project. They reviewed the site and requested designs for the best fire safety of the new project.

BAILOUT TRAINING

Members took part in in bailout training that was instructed by Safety & Survival Training, LLC. This training is vital in the event a firefighter becomes trapped in a burning building and needs to exit



the structure through a window or other opening.

NEW ONLINE DONATIONS

The CFD has partnered with iDonate to provide new and simple fundraising service. This includes online and text donation options. Including a set-and-forget yearly or monthly automated donation. Please visit www.clintonfd.org/donate-online and contribute today!

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RESCUE SQUAD

COVID -19 INCREASING COSTS

When someone in the seven communities we serve calls for help, South Branch Emergency Services always answers – we responded to more than 4,000 calls last year alone.

Our volunteer-governed, shared-services organization provides urgent medical treatment, emergency rescue, and rapid and safe hospital transit to the residents of Town of Clinton, Township of Clinton, High Bridge, Lebanon Borough, and portions of Franklin Township, Bethlehem Township, and Union Township. We exist to help you, but now, we need you to help us.

Keeping those we serve and ourselves safe during this pandemic has resulted in nearly \$100,000 of unanticipated expenses, including about \$80,000 in additional personal protective equipment during the first wave. The pandemic continues, and these costs, along with all of the usual costs to run our organization, will continue.

Whatever you can donate to our once-a-year fund drive is an investment in a tradition of excellence built

on the legacies of Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad and High Bridge Emergency Squad, which merged July 1 to form South Branch Emergency Services. Please consider:

- Between training and being on call for emergencies, our volunteer members donate 30,000 hours of their time each year. Even at the minimum wage, that would equal \$250,000 donated!
- Our average response time is less than seven minutes – well under the national standard of 8 minutes!
- We are a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization. Your donation is tax deductible.

You recently received a letter from us and may donate using the enclosed envelope, or you can donate online at www.sbes365.org. Thank you!

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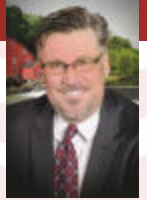


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◆ 7:30 PM 2nd Monday of each month

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LAND USE BOARD

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