

The Borough of Summer 2019 CLAYTON 2019 DEWSLETTER



The Borough of Clayton's community newsletter, bringing information right to your doorstep

A Message from Councilwoman Moorhouse

I am currently serving my first term as Councilwoman for the Borough of Clayton. I am the Council Liaison for the Environmental / Board of Health Council Committees. I also serve as a member of the Veteran Affairs/ Historic Advisory and Park and Rec./ School Affairs Council Committees. I have been a resident of the town for about ten years. Originally born and raised in Clayton, I moved back in early 2010 with my husband Michael. We have four children, one who attends Simmons Elementary School and one who attends Clayton High School. Over the past several years as a resident here, I have been involved in a local group for Girl Scouts of America, treasurer for my daughter's soccer team, Lady Clippers, and have assisted in various community events for local charities. I love being part of Clayton because it has always had that small town feel. Everyone who is a resident here is always friendly and willing to pitch in to keep the community going. I have friends here that I grew up with, whose children are now growing up with my children. My goal is to keep taxes low, our community clean and safe, and to grow our businesses. As a resident and friend, it will always be my mission to do the right the thing for the people.



The Borough of Clayton is now in the process of switching all of the old streetlight bulbs to new energy efficient LED light bulbs. This switch will allow the borough to save on energy usage, and bring lower rates that will pay for the conversion over the next seven years. Starting by the end of the summer you will see these LED bulbs appear, with multiple phases of the project being completed by 2020. We are excited for this change and are commited to doing our part to reduce energy waste!

The Battle of the Burgers

Our "Battle of the Burgers" was a huge success! While all the burgers were so very tasty, a winner had to be crowned. The borough offers its congratulations to Nick's Pizza with their winning Cowboy Burger. We'd also like to thank Neri's and Sicilia's for submitting their burgers as well! A special thanks also goes out to Dunkin Donuts for sponsoring the event and our friends at the Philadelphia Soul for judging the contest. We hope everyone had fun and thanks for coming out!





After years of engaging with government agencies, the Costill family have firm plans to respectfully bring home the remains of Harold. On Saturday, September 14th, 2019 Harold "Brud" Costill will finally be laid to rest. Harold gave the ultimate sacrifice when his ship the USS West Virginia was attacked in the Pearl Harbor bombings. Condolences and respects can be paid to the family starting at 10:00 am at Clayton High School's Performing Arts Center. Services will start at 12:00 pm and will follow with a video of Harold's trip back home to Clayton. Harold will be buried with full military honors alongside family at Cedar Green Cemetery. The borough would like to extend its deepest condolences and respects to the Costill family

How to Manage Your Yard Debris

Most yard debris consists of leaves, grass clippings, prunings, branches, trunks of trees, and their root systems. There are various options for managing these materials. The following are some guidelines to assist decision makers and others in determining best management strategies.

Grass Clippings: Ideally, lawns should be mowed frequently (about five-day intervals) removing only one-third of the grass blade. The clippings will biodegrade at the soil surface providing nitrogen and organic matter. Although any type mower may be used, mulching mowers or mulching attachments on traditional rotary machines can improve the results by chopping more finely. If clippings are long and clump on the lawn, the excess can be raked up and used as a nitrogen source in the backyard composting pile.

Prunings: Trimmings from trees, shrubs, hedges, and perennials are composted at some permitted facilities, but can also be composted in the backyard pile. A shredder-grinder is helpful to break down larger woody material to a more compostable size.

Tree Limbs: Limbs can be cut for firewood or chipped to make a mulch for landscape use. If finely ground, the product can be composted, but at a slower rate than leaves or grass clippings. Woodchips can be used as a carbon source, when composting sewage sludge.

Tree Trunks: Trunks are usually cut, split, and dried for use as firewood. Some desirable species are used to make furniture and cabinetry, and others are ground for mulch or pulp

Clayton Business Profiles

Dancing by Denise - Est. 1977

Over 40 years ago, Dancing by Denise opened its doors for business, teaching children the intrinsic art of dance. Dancing by Denise offers a variety of classes in the art of dance such as Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Tumbling, Hip-Hop, Modern, and Musical! Denise even offers karate lessons at the studio. Sessions are an hour long and half-hour private lessons are offered as well. The studio walls are covered with gorgeous murals (painted by Denise herself), stained glass shining on the walls, and numerous trophies displayed throughout commemorating the many accomplishments of the school. It's Denise's pride in her work and dedication to her passion that allowed this school to succeed.

Hours of Operation:

Monday & Thursday: 5:00 pm - 9:30 pm Tuesday & Wednesday: 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm Saturday: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Movie in the Park!

Want to be featured?

If you're a local business owner in Clayton, NJ, and would like to be featured in our quarterly newsletter, please contact Borough Hall at (856) 881-2882 or stop in anytime during hours of operation and pick up a business profile form. What better way to get the word out about your business than to tell everyone in your community about it!

Gather the family and bring your blankets and chairs to catch a free movie at Sandelier Park on Monday, August 5th! Join us at dusk for "How to Train Your Dragon 3: The Hidden World" and free popcorn, sponsored by the Gloucester County Freeholders. The movie tells the story of a young viking named Hiccup and his dragon Toothless. As Hiccup fulfills his dream of creating a peaceful dragon utopia, Toothless' discovery of an untamed, elusive mate draws the Night Fury away. When danger mounts at home and Hiccup's reign as village chief is tested, both dragon and rider must make impossible decisions to save their kind.

Bryant's Barbershop - Est. 1967

In 1967, Rev. Paul Bryant Sr. opened up Bryant's barbershop at 336 Academy Street where it has remained as a family barbershop to this day. Rev. Bryant graduated from Clayton High in 1954. Initially he followed his father into construction. He went to school to be an arc welder, later working in the New York City Shipyard on the USS Kitty Hawk before settling on opening his own shop. He's now served our community for over 50 years! In 1998, Cortez and Carmen Bryant took over the shop and are running it as successfully as Rev. Bryant. Offering all kinds of hair cutter services ranging from cutting men, women, and children's hair to even offering hair braiding services.

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Friday: 7:00 am - 5:45 pm Saturday: 6:00 am - 2:00 pm

Hungerford & Terry - Est. 1909

For over 100 years, Hungerford & Terry has stood strong in the Borough of Clayton. A private, employee-owned company, that prides itself on their customer service and satisfaction with their products, services, and systems. Originally opening up in Philadelphia, Hungerford & Terry moved the company to Clayton shortly after the USA declared war on Germany, where it remains the corporate headquarters to this day. Working together, they analyze the problem, design the solution, build the equipment, and provide continuing consultative support for years of reliable and economical service. H&T maintains extensive project files on all customer equipment, a true sign of their dedication and the value they place on their customers.

Clayton Fire Company

The Borough of Clayton would like to recognize the hard work, dedication, and sacrifice of our very own Clayton Volunteer Fire Company. These brave first responders are always ready to answer the call of duty and never think twice about doing what's right to save those in need. Whether it's extingushing fires, responding to motor vehicle accidents, rescuing ducklings from a storm drain, or even cooking up a delicious spaghetti dinner, they are always ready to serve. We thank you Clayton Fire Company, for everything you do. "When a man becomes a fireman, his greatest act of bravery has been accomplished. What he does after that is all in the line of work" - Edward F. Croker Former Chief of NYFD



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The Borough is on Facebook!

For the latest up to-date-news and information about upcoming events check out our facebook! A great way to share and talk about whats going on in your own community. Find us at @BoroughOfClayton



A New Website!

It's finally here! The new website is live for all residents and visitors to check out. The borough wanted to update our old website to something more accesible and easy to use for our residents. You can make online payments, find town news, and review our event calendar!

<u>Clayton</u> <u>Senior Center</u>

A BIG thank you to the girls of the Clayton Girls Scout Troop #66049 for their construction and donation of a storage shelf to the Clayton Senior Citizen Center. The shelf will be used by all of its members. Also, a big thank you to Clayton Girl Scout Troop Leader Mrs. Elizabeth Kapriel and Mr. Kapriel for their help!

Hours of Operation:

Monday: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm Tuesday: 11:00 am to 4:00 pm Wednesday: 11:00 am to 4:00 pm Friday: 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Senior Center Event Schedule:

- Movin' and Groovin' Walkers

When: Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays Time: 9:00 am

- Tai Chi Exercise

When: Mondays from September 9th through December 16th Time: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

- Sing-Along

When: 1st Wednesday of each month Time: 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

- Clayton Senior Citizen Group

When: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month Time: 11:00 am