

# CALIFON CRIER

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## Pancake Breakfast

The Califon Fire Company's Pancake Breakfast will be held on April 7th and May 5th, from 7:00AM-11:00AM in Creamery Hall.

## Top O' th Barn

The Top O' th Barn is having a Grand Re-opening on April 27th!

[Click here](#) for more info

## Califon Cruisers

Wednesday Night Cruise Night hosted by the Califon Cruisers is back from April 17th til October 23rd.

[Click here](#) for more info

## Free Tree Seedlings

The Califon Environmental Commission is giving out free tree seedlings as part of the New Jersey Forest Service's New Jersey Tree Recovery Campaign on April 20th.

[Click here](#) for more info

## Trout Fest is Back!

Come out to the 'Califon Island Park trout fest 2024' on Saturday, April 20 from 12 to 4 and celebrate all things spring and fly fishing with live music a beer garden and local quality artisans..

Events include a kids' fishing derby, fly casting instruction, a demonstration by the Colonial Angler, and casting competitions. There will also be fly tying demos ongoing throughout the day. Patagonia will be on site to leak check waders (of any brand).

Entrance to the festival is free so spend the afternoon with the family celebrating Califon and its rich history of fly fishing!

The festival is hosted by Califon residents Abraham and Lindsey Beates, who own South Branch Outfitters on Main Street at the former Shannon's Fly & Tackle location.



**2024 Califon 24 TROUT FEST**

Enjoy an afternoon celebrating spring and fly fishing complete with **live music, beer garden and food, kids' fishing derby and instructional events throughout the day along with quality local artisans.**

**April 20th**  
(Rain Date: April 21st)  
**12 - 4 pm**  
**Califon Island Park**  
Califon, NJ

- 12 - 2 pm: Casting instruction
- 1 pm: Colonial Angler demonstration
- 2 - 3 pm: Kids' fishing derby
- 2 - 4 pm: Casting competitions

**Additional Events**

- Wader testing by **Patagonia** (all wader brands accepted)
- Rubber ducky race by **RVU**
- Fly tying demos

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## Stream Clean Up

Raritan Headwaters will be hosting their stream clean up on Saturday April 20th.

[Click here](#) for more info.

## New PARC Chair

We'd like to welcome Nathan Snyder as the new PARC Chairperson. At the March 5th meeting Nathan and several other new members joined PARC.

[Click here](#) for more info

## Brush Pick Up

The curbside brush pick up will be May 13th.

[Click here](#) for more info and guidelines for the pick up.

## Memorial Day

The Memorial Day Parade and Memorial Service will be held on Monday May 27th.

[Click here](#) for more info

## Meals on Wheels

The Hunterdon County Meals on Wheels is holding a raffle fundraiser.

[Click here](#) for more info

## April 2024 Meeting Dates

### *Borough Council*

April 18<sup>th</sup>

### *Environmental Commission*

April 9<sup>th</sup>

### *Parks and Rec Committee*

April 2<sup>nd</sup>

### *Historical Society*

TBD

### *Planning and Zoning Board*

April 17<sup>th</sup>

## May 2024 Meeting Dates

### *Borough Council*

May 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>

### *Environmental Commission*

May 14<sup>th</sup>

### *Parks and Rec Committee*

May 7<sup>th</sup>

### *Historical Society*

TBD

### *Planning and Zoning Board*

May 22<sup>nd</sup>

## Historical Society

The Califon Historical Society's 2024 Season begins on Sunday, May 5th, and will feature a walking tour of downtown Califon. Both the Hoffman House & Cabin by the River will be open from 2:00 - 4:00 pm with new displays and artifacts relating to the history of voting & politics in Califon. The walking tour will begin at 2:00 pm, leaving from the Cabin, with stops at approx. 10 historic sites. The Hoffman House & Cabin will be open for visitors on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month through December. Questions call, 908-832-2012.

## Crier Submission

Have important information that Califon Residents should be aware of?

If you want to submit something for the next issue of The Crier please email your announcement to Jay Ruggiero at [jruggiero@califonboro.net](mailto:jruggiero@califonboro.net) no later than May 20th for the June/July issue.

## Town Subscription

Califon Borough will no longer be sending out notifications in the mail. All residents should subscribe to the borough website to receive future related notifications as well as important alerts of events happening in Califon.

[Click here](#) to sign up



Califon students showcased their talents at the annual Creative Arts Night & Talent Show held on March 19, 2024. Examples of writing and artistic creations from students in PK-grade 8 were displayed throughout the school for friends and families to see. The Talent Show portion of the evening featured 13 acts ranging from dancing and/or singing to wild and amazing science experiments!

Califon School had a fantastic time at the Califon Family Barn Dance held on March 22, 2024 at the Califon School. Over 100 families from Califon and local communities enjoyed food, music, and dancing. Attendees won wonderful items donated for the silent auction too! All proceeds from the event will go towards the 8th grade Washington DC/Hershey trip to take place in May.



8th grader, Kensey Flood, received 2nd place in the state competition for her essay written for the Tri-County Society Daughters of the American Revolution annual American History Essay Contest. Kensey also received 1st place in the local competition. Maria Tramutola, also an 8th grader, won 2nd place in the county competition for her American History essay.

8th grader, Noah Schultz, received the Hunterdon County award for Unsung Hero in March 2024 at the J.P. Case Middle School in Flemington, NJ. Noah received this award for his good citizenship and quiet strength that inspires others.

The Califon Drama Club students will be presenting Frozen on June 5, 2024. For more information, call 908-832-2828.

We are looking forward to Kindergarten Round Up for anyone registered for Kindergarten for the 24-25 school year. If your child is eligible and you have not yet registered, please call the main office for information. 908-832-2828.

Thank you!

Dr. Michele Cone

