The Closter Environmental Commission dedicates considerable numbers of volunteer hours enhancing, repairing, restoring and reconstructing Closter’s woodland trails that comprise the Closter Trail system in our parks. This extensive trail system in our woodlands is offered to our community as another passive recreational venue in which residents can utilize and enjoy.

This past spring volunteers, which included high school senior service students, were vigorously performing maintenance on our Borough woodlands trails. The volunteers observed several locations where yard debris and other waste materials had been dumped in our parks and woodlands.

To maintain the beauty of our parks and woodlands, the Borough is requesting the assistance of all of our residents to utilize the collection site located at the Closter DPW (130 Ruckman Road) for the disposal of grass clippings, leaves, branches, mulch, fill or any other yard or garden waste or debris. The DPW calendar is available at www.closternj.us to obtain a schedule of pick-up dates for yard and garden waste, leaves, branches as well as the disposal of debris items.

Dumping on public lands is prohibited by New Jersey State Law and can result in costly fines. It not only creates an eyesore, it requires additional taxpayer monies and resources to clean up the mess that could have been collected or disposed of properly. If your property is adjacent or nearby public lands, help us maintain our woodlands and parks by reporting any incidents of dumping to the Closter Police Department (201-768-5000).

Please join us in our effort to keep Closter a cleaner, greener community.

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