



THE BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE

Happenings



JULY 2022



A message from Mayor Bernstein. . .

I would like to start with a huge “Thank You” to our Holiday Observers for their hard work on the 4th of July Celebrations! July 4th was a fantastic day here in Allendale capped off by a spectacular fireworks display overlooking Crestwood Lake. A huge “Thank You” to our DPW for all of their efforts to prepare the town for the holiday week-end – everything looked great! I would also like to thank Allendale’s Police Department, Fire Department, OEM, AVAC, and CERT for keeping everyone safe during the weekend’s events. Great job by all!

Crestwood Lake is in full swing! It's been great to see so many happy faces enjoying the Lake. Thank you to all our lake staff led by our manager Tom Viscardi and our DPW for keeping the lake a true jewel of our town.

Recently you may have seen that we have changed water restrictions to Phase Two. Due to the current and forecasted drier weather conditions and in an effort to preserve water pressure for critical services like firefighting, we ask that all residents abide by the Phase 2 Water Restrictions. We also encourage residents to refrain from watering their lawns until the weather conditions allow the water system to return to normal levels. Thank you to everyone for your cooperation!

A friendly reminder that our 3rd Quarter 2022 Property Taxes are due August 1, 2022, with the Grace Period ending August 10, 2022. Payments can be made online at allendalenj.gov or checks can be mailed or dropped off at Borough of Allendale 500 W. Crescent Avenue Allendale, NJ 07401.

I hope that everyone is enjoying the summer!

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Water Restriction in Effect:

PHASE 2

Phase 2 Water Restrictions in Effect As of Tuesday, July 12, 2022

There is a great demand for water because of the heat and lack of rain. One of the Borough's wells is temporarily out of service. To ensure water availability for drinking and emergency services, such as fighting fires, we ask that residents follow the restrictions outlined below:

In-Ground Lawn Sprinklers from 12:00am to 4:00am only!

Hose Supplied Lawn Sprinklers from 7:00am to 9:00am and 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Even House Numbers: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

Odd House Numbers: Wednesday, Friday, Sunday

Monday is a system recharge day. No Watering Permitted*

- *Hand-watering is permitted for gardens, shrubs, and new plantings
- No washing of buildings or cars is permitted
- Use of water for other household purposes is not restricted.

Restrictions will be enforced: 1 warning, followed by a court summons. Fines up to \$1,000.00

By order of Ari Bernstein, Mayor

Thank you for your perseverance as we work together to preserve our water and keep our borough safe. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Councilwoman Liz Homan, Water Committee Chair. Lizhoman@allendalenj.gov

Crestwood Lake



EVENTS AT THE LAKE

ALL EVENTS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

May 28th OPENING DAY	July 16th, 7:00pm MIDLIFE CRISIS	 VISIT WWW.ALLENDALENJ.GOV FOR MORE INFORMATION
June 11th, 7:00pm SIDESHOW HEROES	August 6th, 7:00pm ONE FINE TAPESTRY	
June 26th FAMILY NIGHT	August 19th, 7:00pm BLEND	
June 30th MOVIE NIGHT	August 21st, 7:00pm FRANK SINATRA	
July 9th, 7:00pm TIM GYSIN	September 1st MOVIE NIGHT	



Crestwood Lake Hours

EARLY SEASON

May 28 – June 19

(Closed Weekdays)

Weekends/Holidays, 11:00am - 7:00pm

REGULAR SEASON

June 22 – September 5

Daily, 11:00am - 7:00pm

* Hours may be modified at the Borough's discretion.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Please go to the Borough website at www.allendalenj.gov and click on the Crestwood Lake button. Then click on Crestwood Lake Registration. If you do not have a computer or are having difficulties, contact the Clerk's Office at 201-818-4400 x200 between 10am and 4pm. If you forgot your password from last year, **do not create a new account**. Please email info@allendalenj.gov for a new password.

Crestwood Lake 2022 Season Notes

Badges are Back!

New badges with pictures will be issued for the 2022 season. You can upload a photo when registering online or stop at Borough Hall or the Lake and you can have your picture taken when picking up your badge. Please email info@allendalenj.gov if you have any questions.

2022 Rates

	RESIDENT RATE THRU MAY 30	RESIDENT RATE MAY 31 - SEPT 5	NON-RESIDENT RATE THRU - SEPT 5
1st Family Member	\$210	\$215	\$340
2nd Family Member	\$135	\$145	\$205
*Additional Family Members	\$65	\$65	\$130
Add-on: Babysitter/Caregiver	\$175	\$175	\$250 <small>Must Call 201-818-4400 x200 To Register</small>
Senior Rate (62 & Older)	\$65	\$70	\$85
Teen Memberships (13-17/No Adult Needed)	\$100	\$100	\$100 <small>Ho-Ho-Kus, Saddle River, & Upper Saddle River ONLY</small>
Allendale School or NHRHS Employees <small>Proof Required</small>	Must Call 201-818-4400 x200 To Register		
Veteran or Active Military <small>Proof Required</small>	Must Call 201-818-4400 x200 To Register		

* A family member is considered to be a parent, domestic partner and/or child or children under the age of 26 living in the house hold. Proof of residency may be required. Accounts will be audited, any improper registrations may result in membership cancellation.

GUESTS -

Daily Guest Rate of \$10 per person (Ages 3 and Up)



ALLENDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Hopefully, everyone is enjoying their summer. As the warm weather is upon us, I would like to discuss pedestrian safety. Recently, the borough installed improved pedestrian crossing signs. These signs flash a light to alert oncoming traffic of the presence of a pedestrian intending to cross the road. Signs and other traffic control devices are only a piece of the traffic safety puzzle. It is important that both drivers and pedestrians take precautions. Drivers should always be aware of the presence of pedestrians as well as bring their vehicle to a complete stop until the pedestrian has completed crossing the roadway. Pedestrians should make eye contact or otherwise show their intent to cross. By using non-verbal signs to indicate to drivers your intent to cross helps to validate the driver's responsibility to stop. If there is a crosswalk, please ensure you are crossing within the designated crosswalk. Do not walk into traffic from in-between cars or in areas with limited sight distance. If a crossing guard is present, look for their direction before crossing. "Cross with Care" is an all-encompassing educational based initiative for both drivers and pedestrians. The program also creates awareness for our borough crossing guards who work to care for the safety of pedestrians during the school year. Pedestrian safety is a team effort!



Thank you!
Michael T. Dillon
Chief of Police, Allendale Police Department



ALLENDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT

**THE ALLENDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT
IS ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS!**

WE ARE IN NEED OF MEMBERS TO CONTINUE TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY!

If you are between the ages of 16 and 18, you are eligible to join as a Junior Member.
Anyone 18 years or older is eligible to join the active department.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING EMAIL: firechief@allendalenj.gov



ALLENDALE AMBULANCE CORPS

CELEBRATING 85 YEARS of SERVICE!

Team building is essential in an organization such as The Allendale Volunteer Ambulance Corps (AVAC). When we are on a call, we have to be able to trust our team members. What better way to build team cohesiveness than to gather together for a Summer BBQ and movie night at Crestwood Lake. This enables us to welcome new members, enfold our returning College students, say farewell to those High School students who have summer assignments elsewhere – and to just catch up and enjoy our teammates at AVAC. June's movie theme was JAWS, and as usual, our event committee did a swimmingly fantastic job! Please consider joining us at the Allendale Volunteer Ambulance Corps!

Classes are readily available, training is free, the work is rewarding...and the friendships you make are PRICELESS! There's always room for more! Call us at: 201-739-4715 for more info.



BBQ with family and friends



What a movie without shark candy sushi



Great night for a good movie



220/230 West Crescent Ave (formerly Black Millwork)



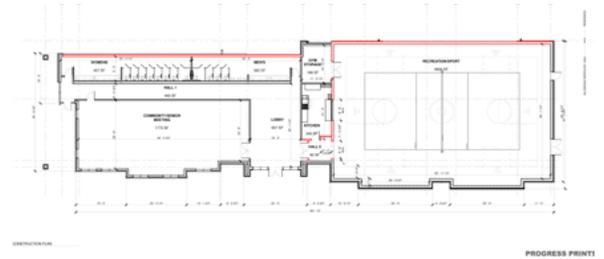
As the Borough navigated through COVID, the plans to develop a Community Center and Borough Hall at 220 West Crescent and a mini-warehouse at 230 West Crescent became significantly delayed.

We decided that in the best interest of the Borough, to split the project into two separate transactions. Since the back building (230 West Crescent) was going to maintain the same use, we were able to close and receive

\$10.2 MM to pay down the acquisition debt. It is currently operational and we are receiving revenue from the PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes).

The front building (220 West Crescent), provided bigger challenges. There were supply chain issues, labor shortages, and the rising cost of building materials. Our quotes were changing weekly and kept going up. We made a conscious decision to wait. During this time, we changed the way we worked as a Borough. We seamlessly transitioned to the virtual world and made many of our systems and operations more electronic. New office space was no longer a foreseeable need however meeting space for our community groups and clubs was still in demand. Currently, the existing council chambers are the only meeting space offered to the community.

After much thought through and consideration, we decided the best value for the community was to keep Borough Hall where it is and make the entire facility at 220 West Crescent a Community Center with one half being a gym for fitness and physical activity and the other half being an open space for meetings. There will also be a commercial kitchen. The building will now be one story and skillfully designed with optionality... Meaning that if a second story ever needs to be added in the future, it can be easily adapted.



We anticipate the cost to be less and are currently completing the construction documents to get a new quote. We also applied for and received first-round approval of a grant to defray costs. We anticipate an August date for the LUB since there was a change in scope.

This entire project has been acquired and will be built without any additional tax dollars.

There was a Town Hall Meeting on June 23rd which can be viewed at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z0CqycsFFF4>

If you have any questions, please email: amywilczynski@allendalenj.gov



Did You Know...

... that renting your home, property, pool etc., for a short-term is NOT permitted?

Borough of Allendale, NJ Code Chapter 181: Short-Term Rentals
§ 181-1: Short-term rental property. <https://ecode360.com/36474119>

Green Team Did You Know...

... that the Allendale Green Team continues to offer Compost Bins @ \$59.95 and Rain Barrels @ \$74.95 for purchase at borough hall? Home delivery is available for an additional \$15.00 fee. Join the 40+ other Allendale households that are reducing the waste stream, conserving water and helping to promote sustainability.

... that plastic bags, bubble wrap, cereal bags, plastic UPS, FedEx, USPS envelopes, plastic wrapping, dry cleaner bags, etc. are recyclable and still collected at supermarkets and by the Allendale Green Team via receptacle at borough hall? These items are recycled into decking materials by Trex.

... that packing EPS "Styrofoam" is a recyclable material. Collection events for EPS are regularly held in surrounding municipalities. Please save your foam and contact the Allendale Green Team for additional information:
AllendaleGreenTeam@gmail.com



Quick Notes...

REMINDER

3rd Quarter 2022 Property Taxes are due **August 1, 2022**
The Grace Period ends August 10, 2022

Payments can be made online at allendalenj.gov or
<https://wipp.edmundsassoc.com/Wipp/?wippid=0201>

Or

Checks can be mailed or dropped off at:
Borough of Allendale
500 W. Crescent Avenue
Allendale, NJ 07401

If paying by check, please make sure your check is ***signed and dated correctly***.
We ***DO NOT*** accept post-dated checks!

Downtown Streetscape Update

The downtown streetscape beautification project is ongoing. Due to supply issues, the timing has been delayed a bit. We will keep everyone informed as we receive more information.

The upgrades include new lights, pavers, trees, and garbage receptacles and will be beautiful when completed. Please bear with the appearance of some of the needed repairs in the sections that have not been refurbished yet. We are frustrated with the delays as well.

For **Emergency Notifications** please register to receive updates from [SWIFTREACH](#)

MOVING OUT?

For your final water bill contact



at
855-367-6708

For **Non-Emergency Notifications** please register to receive updates from [Constant Contact](#)



2022



COMPOST PERMIT

**THE 2022 COMPOST PERMITS ARE
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**

PERMITS COST \$30.00. APPLICATIONS CAN BE FILLED OUT ONLINE AT

WWW.ALLENDALENJ.GOV

**COMPOST SITE 2022 SEASON
APRIL 2ND TO DECEMBER 18TH**

SATURDAYS - 9AM TO 3PM

SUNDAYS - 9AM TO 1PM

IMPORTANT MESSAGE: COVID-19 RATEPAYER RELIEF MEASURES

This notice announces relief measures for residential ratepayers experiencing economic hardship during the COVID-19 pandemic. Please review this message in its entirety. For more information, please go to our website at www.allendale.gov or Alissa Mayer, Water Collector at 201-818-4400 ext. 205 or alissamayer@allendalenj.gov.

INSTALLMENT PLAN AVAILABILITY

BE ADVISED that State law requires residential customers to be offered an installment plan for any water arrearages accruing between March 9, 2020 and March 15, 2022. To maintain the installment plan, a residential customer must make timely payments on all current charges. More information is available by calling SUEZ/Allendale customer service at 855-367-6708.

LATE FEES, CHARGES AND PENALTIES

BE ADVISED that P.L. 2021, c. 317 prohibits local governments from charging residential customers interest, fees, or charges for late payment of water charges accruing between March 9, 2020 and March 15, 2022 until after March 15, 2022 at which time interest and penalties may begin to accrue. Late interest, fees or charges may be enforced against arrearages accruing before March 9, 2020 and after March 15, 2022.

BILL ASSISTANCE AND ARREARAGE FORGIVENESS PROGRAMS

The application period for the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs' Low Income Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) is now open. This federally funded program will provide financial assistance to low-income households to reduce the balances on their residential water bills. LIHWAP will provide benefits directly to water service providers on behalf of residential customers. The assistance can be used, in order of priority, to:

- restore services where services have been terminated and pay reconnection fees and other charges accrued due to a disconnection;
- avoid service disruption for those residential customers who are in danger of disconnection (i.e., received shut off notices or have past due balances) and to help them afford bill payment going forward; and
- support those household customers who are current in their bills but might be in danger of falling behind in the near future.

Priority will also be given to families with elderly or disabled household members and/or with children under the age of five, no matter which category they fall into.

To be eligible for LIHWAP assistance, applicants must be water bill holders who are responsible for paying their water bills directly to the water provider. Also, applicants' total gross household income must be at or below 60% of the state median Income (\$6,439 a month for a family of four). The LIHWAP frequently asked questions webpage, available at <https://njdca-housing.dynamics365portals.us/lihwapfaq> has additional information about maximum income limits and other items.

Participants in the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) are automatically eligible for LIHWAP assistance so long as they are water bill holders.

People can apply online through the DCAid application portal at <https://njdca-housing.dynamics365portals.us/en-US/dcaid-services/>.

Those without computer or internet access can call 1-800-510-3102 to be directed to one of the community action agencies to assist them with starting, completing, and submitting an application online.

***ADMINISTRATION, CLERK'S OFFICE,
BOARD OF HEALTH, & TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE***

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VITAL STATISTICS RECORDS

(MARRIAGE LICENSES, DEATH AND BIRTH CERTIFICATES)

Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission 201-445-7217

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