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The winners of the Holiday Observers' Memorial Day essay contest, Brookside 7<sup>th</sup> graders Gemma Margagliotta and Shane Van Dyke, read their essays at the ceremony at Memorial Park on May 26.

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### A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR AMY WILCZYNSKI

The countdown to the last day of school has officially begun, and with it comes a season of celebration and transition. Whether it's graduating from one school and moving on to the next, entering the workforce, or simply enjoying a well-earned break, there is always a sense of excitement as summer approaches. Many of our young residents will be embracing their first taste of responsibility with summer jobs, including several working at the newly completed Crestwood Lake concession stand—a long-anticipated project that now stands as an aesthetically pleasing and functional enhancement to our beautiful lake.

With the concession stand complete, our focus now shifts to our next major capital initiative: the refurbishment of the tennis and pickleball courts near the Red Barn. Thanks to the support of county grant funding, we are excited to be moving forward with this much-needed improvement. Recognizing that basketball is very popular in town, we are also planning to add a dedicated basketball court as part of this upgrade.

In parallel, we continue our commitment to improving Allendale's athletic fields. This effort began with the successful rehabilitation of Field 1 last year, and in collaboration with the Allendale Recreation Commission (ARC), Field 3 has now been fully refurbished as well. These upgrades are just the beginning: our 2025 capital budget includes further funding for field improvements to ensure our local sports programs have the safe, high-quality facilities.

Of course, maintaining and upgrading critical infrastructure remains a top priority. From drainage and roads to energy efficiency and sustainability efforts, we remain focused on delivering long-term value to the community.

With warm weather now here in full force, we're seeing more and more children and teens out enjoying the sunshine -especially on bicycles. One trend that's growing quickly is the use of electric bikes (e-bikes), which are becoming increasingly popular among young riders. While they may be fun, they also bring new safety and legal considerations. We urge all parents and riders to review the important safety information in this newsletter. E-bikes must be used responsibly, and riders should be mindful of speed, pedestrians, and the rules of the road.

At our most recent Council meeting, we had the privilege of honoring a group of incredible individuals, first responders and good Samaritans, who came together to save the life of beloved local restaurateur Eiddi Veseli. Thanks to their swift action, professional skill, and genuine compassion, Eiddi is still with us today. We extend our deepest gratitude to all those involved in the rescue, including the Allendale Police Department and our volunteer emergency personnel. Their unwavering dedication both on and off duty makes Allendale a safer, stronger, and more connected community.

If you haven't already visited the new Crestwood concession stand, we encourage you to stop by. The stand blends beautifully with the natural surroundings of the lake and is a welcome addition for families enjoying long summer days. Before we know it, the entire town will be gathering at Crestwood once again for one of our most cherished traditions: the 4th of July Fireworks Celebration. We extend heartfelt thanks to the Holiday Observers for their continued commitment to making this event such a joyful and memorable experience for all.

Our last town hall was attended by at least 50 residents: thanks to all that came out. We will continue to keep everyone informed through all different platforms.

Finally, we're excited to announce that the Allendale Mural Project is entering its final phase. This art initiative engaged 160 students from grades 3 through 12, who were taught the intricate process of crafting porcelain tiles from clay. These tiles will soon be mounted across 14 panels, forming a large-scale mural that honors the rich history, architecture, wildlife, and native plants of Allendale. We anticipate installation by the end of the summer. Stay tuned for more details.

Please stay informed: sign up for alerts and emails and follow the Mayor Amy Wilczynski Facebook and Instagram pages as well as the Borough Facebook page. Also feel free to contact any council member or myself.

If you know someone who does not have access to a computer, please let us know so we can mail them Borough updates.

Please say hi anytime you see me around town!

Hmy Mayor Amy Wilczynski

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#### GARBAGE

- Household kitchen, office & bathroom trash
- Styrofoam

#### BULKY TRASH

- Furniture
- CarpetingNon-metal items
- Windows/mirrors/pane glass must be taped with an "X"

#### METAL

Anything that is at least 75% metal
 Artificial holiday trees

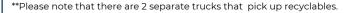
#### RECYCLING

Container One:

- Newspapers & inserts
- Junk mail, envelopes, office, notebook, construction paper
- Smooth and corrugated cardboard
- Glossy magazines and catalogs
- Soft-covered books and telphone books
- Non-metallic wrapping paper & greeting cards
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- Shredded paper
- Brown Grocery bags

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- Container Two:
- Food & beverage containers
- Plastic containers with a recycling code 1, 2, 5 & 7
- Aluminum cans, foil
- Aseptic packaging (ex. soup, milk containers)
- Metal cans & empty aerosol cans
- Green, clear & brown glass bottles and jars





## POOL REGULATIONS

Pools capable of holding twentyfour inches (24") of water or more, regardless of cost or whether portable or fixed, are subject to the Borough's zoning requirements (<u>270-32</u>), and require a permit and inspections from the building dept. In addition, a pool compliant fence is also required.

## TREE INSPECTIONS

Residents are encouraged to have trees on their property inspected by a licensed arborist or other tree care specialist to identify and address and dead or diseased trees before they become hazardous.

## New Jersey's E-Bike & E-Scooter Law

E-bikes can be an exciting and fun way for kids and teens to get around—offering freedom, speed, and a taste of independence. But with that freedom comes a big responsibility: safety.



E-bikes are faster and heavier than regular bikes, which means the risks are greater too. That's why it's so important for young riders to know the rules and follow them every time they ride.

Please review these regulations and be sure your children comply to stay safe!

## Visit <u>https://njbikeped.org</u> for more information.

VEHICLE TYPES	PROPULSION METHOD	POWER	MAX ASSISTED SPEED (MPH)	LICENSE & REGISTRATION	HELMET	PARK ON THE SIDEWALK?	TAKE ON TRANSIT?
LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC SCOOTER	Kickstart and throttle	Electric	19mph	No	Under 17 years old	If not blocking access	Yes*
ELECTRIC BICYCLE	Pedal and optional throttle	Electric (<750W)	20mph	No	Under 17 years old	If not blocking access	Yes*
	Pedal and optional throttle	Gas or Electric (<50cc/<1.5BHP)	28mph	Required	Required	No	No

http://njbikeped.org/new-law-legalized-e-bikes-and-e-scooters-in-new-jersey/

## E-mobility devices make it easier to:

- Save on gas, parking, and rideshare costs.
- Access destinations without needing to walk or drive.
- Reduce carbon emissions.
- Make "first-mile" and "last-mile" connections for bus and train trips.
- Climb hills and keep up with traffic without getting sweaty.
- Help people with limitations due to age, physical fitness levels, or disabilities.



\* Restrictions may vary by agency. PATH and NJT restrict non-collapsible vehicles during peak travel times. Bus racks have limited availability and may not fit all bikes.

## Low-speed e-bikes and e-scooters are regulated like bicycles. Drivers of low-speed e-bikes and e-scooters:

- Must ride in the same direction as traffic and obey all traffic lights, signs, and signals.
- Are advised to wear helmets to minimize potential head injury. Helmets are required in NJ for youth under age 17.
- Must park devices without blocking pedestrian and/or wheelchair access.
- Should not ride on sidewalks. Off-road trails generally do not allow motorized bicycles, but may allow e-bikes and e-scooters. Regulations vary by municipality and county. Check all local ordinances and policies. Ride slowly in areas with pedestrians.

## **Around Town**







At the Mayor & Council Meeting on Thursday, June 23, local good samaritans and first responders were presented with certificates of commendation for saving the life of well-known Allendale restaurateur Eiddi Vesseli. Eiddi has been in Allendale for 23 years and owns three restaurants in town. Those commended provided lifesaving care during a medical emergency in May.

Hillside 3<sup>rd</sup> graders worked with artist Simon Rigg to create beautiful, unique ceramic pieces that will be included in the new Allendale Mural. Installation is aniticpated at the end of the summer.







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...and more!

# ALLENDALE community center COMING SOON



# FREE EVENTS this summer

## Stay tuned to <u>allendalenj.gov</u> for details!

Registration will be required once programs are announced.



ALLENDALE AMBULANCE CORPS Serving since 1937



## LEARN THE SIGNS OF HEAT EXHAUSTION VS. HEAT STROKE

## Heat Exhaustion





## ABOUT ALLENDALE VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS (AVAC)

The Allendale Volunteer Ambulance Corps is a group of men and women who volunteer their time to help you in your time of need. We do NOT charge for our services! Your donations help with our general operating costs, medical supplies, and also will help us purchase a new Ambulance. Donations can be sent to:

Allendale Ambulance Corps 26 Arcadia Road Allendale, NJ 07401

DONATIONS GO TOWARDS OPERATING EXPENSES: Ambulance Repairs & Upkeep 21.5%, Building & Equipment Expenses 16.8%, Medical Supplies 6.9%, Membership Retention, Training, & Compliance 21.1%, Volunteer Appreciation 19.4%, Fundraising 10%, and Administrative Costs 4.3%

## CONSIDER JOINING AVAC! Call Daryl at 201-587-4008 for more info



June 12, 2025

## **PRESS RELEASE** BLUE ENVELOPE PROGRAM

The Allendale Police Department continues to bring impactful programs to our residents. Lt. Todd Griffith, in conjunction with the Bergen County Police Traffic Officers Association, secured funding for the expansion of the Blue Envelope Program in collaboration with the Bergen County Prosecutors Office and the County of Bergen. The Blue Envelope Program is designed to enhance communication between law enforcement and individuals with disabilities, such as Autism Spectrum Disorder.

It helps improve interactions during traffic stops, making them less stressful for drivers with autism. Participants obtain a blue envelope to store important documents like their license and registration, which can be presented during stops. The program promotes inclusivity and awareness, ensuring that officers are informed about the driver's condition.



Any Allendale resident wishing to obtain a Blue Envelope, please feel free to contact our police headquarters or come into our station at any time.

Follow Allendale Police Dept: Twitter @AllendalePD Facebook: AllendalePolice

# NEWS FROM The Allendale Green Team

Green Team Earns \$2,000 Grant from the PSEG Foundation Sustainable Jersey Program

The Green Team received a \$2,000 check from the PSEG Foundation Sustainable Jersey Program to help promote and expand our sustainability efforts. Pictured are Mark Savastano, Green Team Chairman and Steve Rycroft, Green Team member who managed the grant application.



## Green Team Business Partnership Program

The Green Team is now partnered with 4 local businesses who actively assist in our sustainability efforts by providing opportunities to remove non-mandated materials from the waste stream.

o **Rohsler's Allendale Nursery:** Annual pumpkin and gourd collection, annual holiday lights collection, removing EPS packing "styrofoam" from their waste stream

o **One River School of Art & Design**: Collects materials for reuse in art classes including magazines, old shirts, plastic soup containers, etc.

o Allendale Flowers: Collecting corsage containers, glass vases (please inquire about limitations), removing EPS packing "styrofoam" from their waste stream

o Valley Hospital: Valley provides the sharps and medicine containers necessary for collection of these items during our Earth Day / Spring Cleanup event

Thank you to our residents and businesses for your continued interest in making Allendale a sustainable community. Remember that your efforts and those of your Allendale Green Team VOLUNTEERS reduce the cost of municipal waste disposal which directly affects the municipal budget. Direct any questions regarding our programs to <u>AllendaleGreenTeam@gmail.com</u>.



## Earth Day Spring Cleanup Statistics:

- 1 ton of shredded paper
- 1.5 tons of electronics
- .75 tons of clothing and other textiles
- 4 ten gallon containers of expired medicines and medicinal needles
- 500 cubic feet of EPS Packing Foam "styrofoam"
- 30 lbs of plastic bags
- 300 reusable shopping bags (donated to the Center for Food Action)

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Register online or at the library starting 6/20

morial Library

2025 Kids Summer Reading



Adopt a Reading Buddy and pick up your logbook



Log your time spent reading from 6/20-8/25 Every two hours of reading earns a chance to win cool prizes!



visit us at <u>www.leememoriallibrary.org</u> to sign up!

## Lee Memorial Library's 2025 Adult Summer Reading Club Color Our World

I can fold!

## Click here to sign up

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Every 200 pages read earns one (1) raffle ticket for endof-summer prizes.

Log your reading online from 6/23 to 8/31.

## Club Member Benefits

Participation Gift (after logging 500 pages)

Personal Librarian: find your next great read with help from the experts!

\*\* This program is for Allendale residents over the age of 18 only\*\*

# **REGISTER NOW!**

DERDLINE: JULY 1ST NO EXCEPTIONSI PreK & K: Sundays Only 1st & 2nd Grade Girls: Saturday Mornings Boys: Sunday Mid-Mornings \$160

Boys & Girls (1 Practice/2 Games Per week) 3rd & 4th Grade: 7v7 5th & 6th Grade: 9v9 7th & 8th Grade: 11v11 High School (co-ed): 11v11 \$185

Coaches Needed High schoolers welcome All must be Rutgers Certified\*

Allendalerecsports@gmail.com

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END OF LIFE PLANNING Vrecentation

Join us for an informative session where we'll explore the essential steps to ensure your wishes are honored and your loved ones are cared for.

Learn about a convenient online service designed to help you organize and share your final wishes, important documents, and legacy plans in one secure place. Take control of the future today—because peace of mind is the greatest gift you can give. PAUL FRIED

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## Allendale Community Center 210 West Allendale Avenue



7:00pm - 8:00pm No registration required



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Thank you for reading!



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