A message from Mayor Bernstein. . .

With a rise in reported COVID-19 positive cases around the county, state, and country, I want to remind everyone to remain vigilant with their mask-wearing, social distancing, hand-washing, and other precautionary practices to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

If you or your child have COVID-19 symptoms and are awaiting the test results, please stay home. Don’t send your child to school or let them play sports if they have symptoms or are awaiting test results. Only when a negative test is confirmed, should they re-engage with other kids.

While Allendale continues to be on the lower end with 168 total presumptive positive cases through November 10th, we must not let our guards down as we head into the winter months.

For this edition of the newsletter, our Board of Health has put together comprehensive information on ways to protect yourself from COVID-19 as well as mental health resources that are available. Thank you to Board President Nadine Benoit and all the board members for this most important and helpful information. For upcoming Bergen County COVID-19 testing dates & locations, visit https://co.bergen.nj.us/. For up-to-date information on the corona virus, visit covid19.nj.gov.

This past election was definitely different than what we were accustomed to. I want to thank all the residents for their patience and cooperation, making the process here in Allendale a smooth one. Congratulations to all the candidates who ran and especially to Councilwoman Amy Wilczynski and Councilman Ed O’Connell on their re-election. They will be sworn in for another term at the Mayor & Council’s Reorganization in early January. General Election results can be found at www.bergencountyclerk.org.

A reminder that our administrative offices will be closed on November 26th and 27th for Thanksgiving holiday.

On behalf of the Borough, I wish you and your families a safe, healthy, and enjoyable Thanksgiving!
Garbage & Recycling Reminders

**November Pickups**

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- All Items must be curbside before 6AM on the day of pickup.
- Wood pallets are not collected by our garbage contractor. You must make your own arrangements to dispose of them.
- You must schedule a one-time, courtesy move-out pickup with TatianaMarquis@AllendaleNJ.gov at least 3 WEEKS in advance.
- The complete 2020 Schedule of Collections can be found [HERE](#).

**2020 Curbside Fall Leaf Pick-Up**

Place curbside after 6PM the night before the scheduled pick-up week for your side of town.

**Leaves Must be in Brown Biodegradable Paper Bags Only**

**Schedule**

**West Side:**
- Week of November 2\(^{nd}\)
- Week of November 16\(^{th}\)
- Week of November 30\(^{th}\)

**East Side:**
- Week of November 9\(^{th}\)
- Week of November 23\(^{rd}\)
- Week of December 7\(^{th}\)

*No leaf piles can be left in the street.

Bergen County Utilities Authority Hazardous Waste Collection

Saturday, November 14th @ 9 am - 3 pm Rain or Shine

Bergen County Utilities Authority, Foot of Empire Blvd. Moonachie

Free – Open to Bergen County Residents Only - ID required - For more info, click [HERE](#).

*Extra Day for Thanksgiving

There are NO PICKUPS on Thanksgiving Day
Free Paper Shredding Day
Sponsored by the Bergen County Utilities Authority
Saturday, November 14, 2020
9am to 1pm
Allendale Borough Hall
500 West Crescent Avenue - In Parking Lot

- Open to all Allendale & Bergen County Residents (please bring ID)
- Clean out your filing cabinets, drawers & closets. Bring ALL old, unwanted & confidential papers to be destroyed in the shredding truck Free of Charge
- In an effort to accommodate everyone, there is a limit of four (4) bags/boxes, weighing no more than 10 lbs. each.
- Paper clips and staples are acceptable. Please remove binder clips.

Prevent Identity Theft and Help Recycle

For questions, contact Borough Hall at 201-818-4400 x200 or email info@allendalenj.gov
Almost 50 years have passed since a band of dedicated “Friends” first came together in support of Lee Memorial Library, an essential anchor of our community then as now.

Over the decades, with your help, the Friends have been the catalyst for new spaces, informative programs, and innovative technology at the library.

**THIS YEAR PRESENTS A SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY**

The Library is planning to apply for a matching grant from the State for renovations to the building.

If approved, every dollar raised will be MATCHED by State funds.

We envision a warmer, more welcoming environment that offers our residents a vibrant place in which to relax, learn and grow.

**Will you help us take advantage of the State’s matching grant opportunity to double every contribution dollar?**

Your generous donation is fully tax-deductible.

Please contribute now at the [Friends PayPal/Debit/Credit donation page](#).

Or make checks payable to:
THE FRIENDS OF THE LEE MEMORIAL LIBRARY
500 West Crescent Avenue, Allendale, NJ 07401

Please make your contribution go further by applying for employer matching funds!

The Friends of the Library is a 501(3)-C charitable organization. EIN# 46-4027826
PEARL RIVER, NY Oct. 7, 2020 --- The most important piece of power equipment this fall for everyone - from construction contractors to municipal excavators and landscapers to homeowners - isn't a backhoe, auger, bulldozer or grader.

The most important power tool this fall is the telephone and the easy-to-remember, toll-free, one-stop number 811. That's the nationwide One-Call Notification System's phone number --- 811 --- the one number you Call Before You Dig.

By calling 8-1-1 before you dig, you’ll make sure utility representatives can identify for you the facilities they own and operate. That way, your digging does not strike any underground natural gas lines, electric cables, phone lines or water and sewer pipes or other utility infrastructures.

Anyone who damages underground facilities because they did not follow the 8-1-1 regulations and calls at least 2 to 10 working days before starting work are subject to hefty fines and repair costs. And, the risk of a dangerous, even fatal, accident is all-too real if you hit an underground electric or natural gas line.

The “Call 8-1-1 Before You Dig” program notifies O&R of the proposed work site so its qualified technician can locate, mark and identify utility-owned equipment with stakes, flags or paint to clearly mark areas to avoid. It’s easy, simple, fast, free --- and it’s the law.

If you see an active excavation site or digging project, but you don’t see flags or painted markings, please call O&R at 1-877-434-4100 and report the location.

If you smell gas, immediately leave the area and call 911, O&R’s Gas Emergency Hotline at 1-800-533-LEAK (1-800-533-5325), or your local gas utility. You can report gas leaks anonymously.

For more details about working safely around O&R’s underground and overhead equipment, see our Web site at www.oru.com/811 For more information about the 811 One-Call Notification System, visit the www.call811.com website.
Please join Liz Homan, Allendale Water Committee Chair, for a
Virtual Community Presentation on Allendale Water
Wednesday, December 9th @ 7pm

Virtual Water Meeting Topics Will Include:

💧 Economics of Water
💧 Emerging Contaminants

Meeting Link:
Allendale Water Public Meeting - Economics and Emerging Contaminants
Wed, Dec 9, 2020 7:00 PM - 7:45 PM (EST)

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.
https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/658422909

You can also dial in using your phone.
United States: +1 (872) 240-3212
Access Code: 658-422-909

New to GoToMeeting? Get the app now and be ready when your first meeting starts: https://global.gotomeeting.com/install/658422909
Quick Notes...

**Bergen County Mental Health & Community Support Resources**

**MOVING OUT?**
For your final water bill contact
![SUEZ Logo]
SUEZ at 855-367-6708

**4th Quarter Property Taxes Are Due**
NOVEMBER 1st
The Grace Period Ends
NOVEMBER 10th

You must register your pets for 2020!
Click HERE to fill out the application.

**Storm Drain & Leaves**
With the arrival of Fall, we would like to thank our residents for being mindful about clearing fallen leaves from storm drains in front of their homes. Even with regular street sweeping, clogged storm drains may cause flooding and possible icy conditions during storms.

**Leaves in the Road**
Leaves cannot be left in the road, even for a short period of time. Please keep leaves on your property for pickup by landscapers.

For **Non-Emergency Notifications** please register to receive updates from Constant Contact

For **Emergency Notifications** please register to receive updates from SWIFTREACH

Get Applications and Registration Forms ONLINE at [www.allendalenj.gov](http://www.allendalenj.gov) Under Forms/Licensing/Permits tab
- Compost Permits
- Construction Permits
- Garage Sale Permits
- Dog & Cat Licenses
- Report a Concern & Property Maintenance Complaints
- Open Public Records Requests
- No Knock Permits
COMMUNITY CAMERA PARTNERSHIP

Many business owners and residents currently operate surveillance systems at their businesses and/or homes. As crimes occur nearby, they are not always aware that their system may have captured information that could help solve the crime, thus keeping our community safer. In turn, the police are also not always aware who may have this potentially vital information.

The Allendale Police Department is asking residents and businesses in the Borough to voluntarily register their privately owned surveillance camera systems. As we respond to criminal incidents, we may be able to use the information or footage gathered from the security cameras to assist in the apprehension and prosecution of the criminals involved.

Here is the link to register your camera https://www.allendalepd.org/community-camera-partnership. Information provided to the Police Department regarding your camera system is for official use only. Personal information will remain confidential except as required by law.

ALARM REGISTRATION

The Allendale Police Department wishes to remind residents and business owners that Borough Ordinance 82-5 requires that you register your alarm annually. To do so, complete the Allendale Police Information Form (this information is for police department use only) and the Alarm Registration Form provided. There are two formats available, a PDF Fillable Form which can be completed on your computer, or a Standard Form to be downloaded and completed with a pen. Both forms must be filled out and mailed or dropped off at police headquarters. The fee is $25 per year. Please go to https://20p.bcb.myftpupload.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/2020-Alarm-Registration-Form.pdf to complete your form today.

LOCK CAR DOORS

All residents are urged to take additional precautionary measures to ensure the safety of their property. Here are some crime prevention tips:
1. Lock all your vehicle's doors even if you only plan to be away for a brief period of time.
2. Do not leave valuables in your car. Firearms, computers, purses, and wallets are highly desired targets that are frequently stolen.
3. Do not leave any “sign” that there might be valuables out of sight in your vehicle, such as docking stations, phone chargers or connector cables.
4. Very few larcenies from motor vehicle incidents are random. Thieves see something in plain sight that is valuable and they can quickly steal. Leave nothing in plain sight that might make your vehicle worth investigating by a thief, not even loose coins.
5. Thieves often use flashlights to see through tint. Do not think your dark tinted windows will hide your valuables.

HOUSE NUMBERING

We are seeing that many homes do not have posted or have not replaced proper numbers on the home or business and is making it more difficult for first responders and delivery companies to find the correct location because lack of numbers.

Borough Ordinance 104-4 states: It shall be the duty of the owner or occupant of every house or building in said Borough to display the street number of such house or building and to keep and maintain the same at his or her expense, in good, legible condition, in a conspicuous place upon the front of such house or building, and the size of the digits shall not be less than four inches.
Train Parking Permits

Park and Ride permits for the New Jersey Transit lots expired Tuesday September 1, 2020. Applications for permits and renewals are now available on-line only at the Borough’s website: https://www.allendalepd.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Train-Parking-Permit-Form.pdf

Complete the application and mail your payment to police headquarters. Please pay by check or exact change cash (if coming in person). Once we receive your application and payment we will mail your permit back to you. Permit fees for September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2021 will be $75.00 for resident parking and Non-Resident permits are $300.00 including NJ Sales Tax.

Snow Emergency Parking

Please remember that there is no parking on ANY street when it snows. Borough Ordinance 252-81 prohibits parking on public streets during a snow event as well as parking a vehicle so that it extends into the roadway when it snows. The regulation applies when any accumulation of snow completely covers the roadway and obstructs road markings. The parking prohibition remains in effect after the snowfall has stopped and until the entire block of roadway has been cleared of snow.

Swiftreach

We encourage all residents to sign up for Swiftreach so they can be informed on all important messages and emergencies from your police department. Please visit our website at http://portalv4.swiftreach.com/portal.aspx?c=200019 to sign up.

Thank you to the Allendale Police Department for their participation in the Torch Run for the Special Olympics!
The Allendale Board of Health would like to remind you that now is not the time to let your guard down regarding COVID-19. As we spend more time indoors, it is important to review the following information:

PROTECT YOURSELF, YOUR LOVED ONES, AND YOUR COMMUNITY:

- **Get Tested** – Testing is now available to everyone in New Jersey. You could have COVID-19 and not even know it. Protect yourself and save the lives of your loved ones by getting tested – especially if you have symptoms, have been in close contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19, are an essential worker, were recently in a large crowd where social distancing was hard to maintain, or recently traveled to an area or a state with high COVID-19 infection rates. Find a testing location near you at covid19.nj.gov/testing.

- **Answer the Phone When A Contact Tracer Calls** – You’ve been called because you either tested positive for COVID-19 or have been in close contact with someone who has – so it’s critical you answer the phone. Contact tracers are calling with life-saving information that will keep you, your loved ones, and your community safe and healthy. Learn how contact tracing saves lives at covid19.nj.gov/testandtrace.

- **Wear a Mask** - Always wear a mask over your nose and mouth in public spaces, and anywhere that you cannot keep 6 feet of distance from another person. Face coverings are required in indoor public spaces and in outdoor public spaces when social distancing is difficult to maintain.

- **Keep a Social Distance** - Keep six feet between yourself and others whenever possible and avoid crowded areas.

- **Add Your Phone to the COVID Fight. Download the COVID Alert NJ App** - The app is New Jersey’s free and secure mobile app that anonymously alerts users if they have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19. COVID Alert NJ uses Bluetooth proximity technology, never records any identifying data, and all users will remain anonymous. Download the app from the Google Play Store or Apple App Store.

KNOW HOW COVID-19 SPREADS:

New definition for close contact transmission:

*Close Contact: Someone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to test specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated.* (Source: CDC.gov)

There is currently no vaccine to prevent COVID-19. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus.
The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet) and through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs.

Some recent studies have suggested that COVID-19 may be spread by people who are not showing symptoms.

**STEPS TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS:**

- **Stay home if you are sick**, except to get medical care. Learn what to do if you are sick.
- **Face coverings are required** in indoor public spaces and in outdoor public spaces when social distancing is difficult to maintain.
- **Keep six feet between yourself and others** whenever possible and avoid crowded areas.
- **Wash your hands** often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- If soap and water are not readily available, **use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol**.
- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth** with unwashed hands.
- **Clean and disinfect** frequently touched surfaces. For more, see the CDC's guidelines on how to properly clean and disinfect.
- **Avoid close contact** with people who are sick.

Visit the [CDC site](https://www.cdc.gov) to learn more about how to protect yourself.

**SAFETY TIPS FOR GATHERINGS:**

During this difficult time, we understand everyone wants to be with family and friends. But being cautious when you interact with others is particularly important as New Jersey is seeing increasing signs of community spread. To ensure we don't inadvertently spread COVID-19 and needlessly put our loved ones at risk, the NJ Department of Health has offered safety tips for in-person gatherings:

- Indoor gatherings pose more risk than outdoor gatherings. Host outdoor activities rather than indoor activities as much as possible.
- Ask guests to wear face coverings when they cannot social distance.
- Make hand sanitizer available for guests.
- Gatherings that last longer pose more risk than shorter gatherings.
- Gatherings with more people pose more risk than gatherings with fewer people. Limit numbers of attendees as much as possible.
- Host activities with only people from your local area as much as possible as higher levels of COVID-19 cases and community spread in the gathering location, as well as where attendees are coming from, increase the risk of infection and spread.
- Remind invited guests to stay home if they have been exposed to the virus in the last 14 days, are showing COVID-19 symptoms, or recently traveled to an area or a state with high COVID-19 infection rates.
- Limit the number of people handling or serving food—for example, consider identifying one person to serve all food so that multiple people are not handling the serving utensils.
- Remind guests to wash their hands before serving or eating food.
- Use single-use hand towels or paper towels for drying hands so guests do not share a towel.
- Clean and disinfect commonly touched surfaces and any shared items between use when feasible.
- Consider keeping a list of guests who attended for potential future contract tracing needs. If you are called by a contact tracer, it’s critical that you answer the call to protect us all. Your help is the key to stopping the spread of COVID-19 and saving lives.
MANAGING YOUR RISK

The NJ Department of Health breaks down the spread of COVID-19 into four factors:

1. **TIME:** How long will you be in a place? More time sitting in one place means higher risk.
2. **SPACE:** How much space will be around you? Less space means higher risk.
3. **PEOPLE:** How many people will be around you? More people means higher risk.
4. **PLACE:** What type of place are you going to? Indoor spaces mean higher risk.

Keeping these factors in mind can help you assess your risk while participating in activities.

Last Updated: 10/15/2020

Covid19.nj.gov

Phase I UPDATE:

- Paver installation from Maple Ave to Franklin Tpke: Projected Completion is mid-November.
- From Crosswalk by AB&G to Franklin Turnpike: Projected Completion is mid-December.
- Demo for Phase I is 90% complete.
- New streetlights will be installed in February 2021.
- The contractors are doing their best to time the work around the merchants. Projected completion times may change due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances.
- Reminder…this is being done with a $662K Streetscape grant and there will be trees!!

Please Send Questions To Councilwoman Amy Wilczynski At: amywilczynski@allendalenj.gov
UPDATE 220/230 WEST CRESCENT

220/230 WEST CRESCENT UPDATE:
The Borough held its Virtual Town Hall on Thursday 10/29 which was very well attended. Thank you to all who joined us for an evening of information and Q&A on this important Borough owned property of 220/230 West Crescent Ave. First and foremost, this is where we plan to build our state mandated affordable housing. The court order mandates that these units be built. Without this property being built with our allotted affordable units, we will be in violation of our court settlement, lose our affordable housing certification and be vulnerable to builder's remedy lawsuits. This is a fact.

OUR OBJECTIVES FOR 220/230 PROPERTY:

✓ Control the growth and maintain the character of Allendale
✓ Satisfy COAH requirements set forth by the 3rd Round court settlement
✓ Provide much needed efficient Boro Hall space
✓ Provide much needed community space- a place for youth and well as our elders
✓ Allow for our library to also have more space to add better value and become more functional for residents
✓ Eliminate tractor trailer and excessive trucks in that area
✓ Do this all without raising taxes

As discussed at the Town Hall, when we drilled down on the details of the Municipal Building we took into consideration the diverse interest that we had feedback on and the consideration of the current economics. We went through a cost benefit analysis and considered what we could get within our parameters. The decision was to keep the Council Chambers and Court at 500 West Crescent Ave and instead increase the community space to almost double the size. See below for more details:

- The cost of a council chambers and court is very expensive, there are State mandated upgrades that are extremely pricey especially for the court.
- There are only five meetings a month between Council and Land Use Board and Court.
- The original plan called for a much smaller community room- we now have a considerably larger space that can accommodate our youth up to our seniors. Our community space is on first floor to accommodate seniors which was one of the compelling arguments of the vision committee. The space will double as a junior HS regulation basketball/volleyball court for the youth in the evening.
- Our building department and administrative offices will move over to the new Borough Hall as the current space is very cramped and inefficient. There will be two meeting rooms in the new building that the community and volunteer groups will also be able to use.

Please do not get information from social media! Recent information posted is inaccurate and misleading on many counts!

Our goal is to be open and transparent during this process and we encourage anyone to please email us with questions.

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Mayor & Council
Virtual Meetings

Thursday

November 12 at 7:30pm

To join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.
https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/302918517

You can also dial in using your phone.
Phone Number: (872) 240-3212
Access Code: 302-918-517

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Administrative offices remain closed to the public, however, we are working. Please reach out if we can be of assistance.
Borough Phone No. (201) 818-4400

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