A message from Mayor Bernstein. . .

Spring is in the air here in Allendale. As the weather turns from the cold days of winter to the warm days of summer, our DPW is hard at work grooming our sports fields and preparing Crestwood Lake for this season. Another sign of spring here in Allendale is that our Compost Site is now open; you can purchase permits on the Borough's website. We have more information on this in this month's Newsletter.

I am excited to announce that Allendale will be hosting a “Spring Cleaning Day” on Saturday, April 23rd. We will be providing a multitude of services to help you start your spring cleaning in an environmentally responsible way. That day we will have paper shredding, electronics recycling, prescription drug take-back, clothing recycling, plastic bag collections, compost machine orders, and a food drive. This event is in coordination with the Borough, our Green Team, and the John Fell House and all the services provided are free of charge. Please take a look at the flyer included in this issue for full details and locations.

Just a reminder, effective May 4, 2022, NJ Law will ban single-use plastic bags at all retail stores, food service businesses, and grocery stores, as well as paper bags at grocery stores at or larger than 2,500 square feet. The law also bans food service businesses from providing polystyrene foam food products. This is a good time to place reusable bags in your car so that you will always have them on hand when running to the store. We have more information on this in this month’s Newsletter.

Finally, we all know Allendale is the best, and recently 201 Magazine recognized our downtown as a finalist for their “Best of Bergen”. The Borough, especially Council President Wilczynski and Ron Kistner, has been working hard to make our downtown an even more attractive and inviting destination. I encourage everyone to continue to patronize our great restaurants, shops, and businesses.
Allendale

Spring Cleaning Day!

Start your Spring cleaning in an environmentally responsible way!

April 23, 2022 - 9am to 1pm

Paper Shredding @ Borough Hall
Open to all Allendale & Bergen County Residents (please bring ID). Limit of 4 bags/boxes, weighing no more than 10 lbs. each. Paper clips and staples are acceptable. Please remove binder clips.

Electronics Recycling @ Borough Hall
Anything with a plug or a battery will be accepted such as Air Conditioners, Humidifiers, Space Heaters, TVs, VCR’s, DVD Players, E-Book Readers, Fax Machines, Cell Phones, Telephones, Telecommunications Equipment, Cameras, Stereos, Radios, MP3 Players, Speakers, Laptops, Computers, Main Frames, Monitors, Printers, Keyboards, Mice, Servers, Modems, Battery Backups, Wires, Cables, Scanners & Copiers, and Small & Large Appliances including microwaves and refrigerators. Empty Propane Tanks also accepted.

Prescription Drug Take Back @ Borough Hall
Sponsored by the Allendale Police Dept. - NO liquids or syringes accepted

Clothing Recycling @ The John Fell House
Recycle unwanted Clothing, Shoes Handbags/Backpacks, Stuffed Animals & Small Plastic Toys (NO PUZZLES, BOARD GAMES, LEGOS, OR TOYS W/PIECES), Linens (including Towels, Curtains, & Table Linens - NO Blankets and/or Comforters)

Constituent Services @ Borough Hall
Compost Permits & Crestwood Lake Registrations & Badge Pictures

Composting Machine Orders @ Borough Hall
Sponsored by the BCUA and the Allendale Green Team

Food Drive @ Borough Hall & The John Fell House
In Support of the Center for Food Action - Supermarket Gift Cards, Canned Meat, Canned Hearty Soups, Canned Vegetables, Macaroni & Cheese, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Tomato Sauce, Toothpaste, Toothbrush & Dental Floss, Cereal (low sugar) and Oatmeal, Powdered & Boxed Milk, Canned Fruits, Instant Potatoes, 100% Juice, Baby Formula & Diapers sizes 4, 5 & 6, Bar or Bottled Soap, Canned Dog Food & Canned Cat Food

Plastic Bag Collection @ Borough Hall & The John Fell House
Sponsored by the Allendale Green Team

All services are FREE of Charge!

For more information contact:
info@allendalenj.gov or call 201-818-4400 x200

Contributor: ACME
Saturday, April 23rd

In collaboration with the Borough’s Allendale Spring Cleaning Day, the John Fell House will be collecting clothing:

**Clothing Recycling @ The John Fell House**

Recycle unwanted Clothing, Shoes Handbags/Backpacks, Stuffed Animals & Small Plastic Toys (NO PUZZLES, BOARD GAMES, LEGOS, OR TOYS W/Pieces), Linens (including Towels, Curtains, & Table Linens - NO Blankets and/or Comforters)

There are specific drop-off days and times. Please do not leave any bags of clothes on the property at any other time.

The clothing will be repurposed and the Fell House will get paid per pound of clothing. Check the Fell House website and Facebook page for more information.

**Save the Date:**

**THE HISTORIC JOHN FELL HOUSE INVITES YOU TO A BOURBON TASTING!**

Back by popular demand is Spike McClure, former Master of Whiskey for Johnny Walker

**Date:** Friday, May 6 at 7:30 p.m.
**Where:** The John Fell House, 475 Franklin Turnpike

More details soon. Check our website and Facebook page.

[www.johnfellhouse.com](http://www.johnfellhouse.com)
[Facebook: Fell House](https://www.facebook.com/FellHouse)
GARbage & Recycling Reminders

- All items should be put out starting at 6pm the night before the scheduled collection.
- Building materials and 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. No metal, electronics, or recyclable materials collected.
- Remember to make sure that the lids are securely on top of your cans, especially garbage. This will help keep wildlife at bay.
- Collection containers can be no larger than 30 gallons.
- Bulk Trash must be placed on the curb and not placed in the road.
- Food containers being recycled need to be rinsed and cleaned before you dispose.
- Soiled pizza boxes are garbage and NOT recyclable.

GARbage
- Household kitchen, office and bathroom trash
- Styrofoam

Bulky Trash
- Furniture
- Carpeting
- Non-metal items
- Windows/mirrors/pane glass must be taped with an “X”

METAL
- Anything that is least 75% metal
- Artificial Holiday Trees

RECYCLING

Container One:
- Newspapers and inserts
- Junk mail, envelopes, office, notebook, construction paper
- Smooth and corrugated cardboard
- Glossy magazines and catalogs
- Soft covered books and telephone books
- Non-metallic wrapping paper and greeting cards
- Shredded paper
- Brown grocery bags

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

** Please note that there are 2 separate trucks that pick up recyclables.
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
Quick Notes...

Crestwood Lake Registration is open starting Thursday April 21st

Please go to the Borough website at www.allendalenj.gov

Click Here For Full Details!

Playground Update

Crews continue to work on the upgrades to the Crestwood Playground!

We anticipate the reopening of the playground over Memorial Day Weekend!

We can’t wait!
REMINDER

2nd Quarter 2022 Property Taxes are due May 1, 2022
The Grace Period ends May 10, 2022

Payments can be made online at allendalenj.gov or click
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!

Please note if paying online there is a
New Web Inquiry Payment Portal (WIPP) Enrollment Feature

Click the button below to watch an overview of the new additions and to see how you can enable the following options.

The New Platform Features Include:
• Account Enrollment Allows Each Customer to Create & Manage an e-Wallet Profile
• Integrated e-Wallet System Securely Stores Customer Payment Data, Allowing for Safe & Efficient Future Payments
• Ability to Schedule Future Payments through the WIPP Online Payment Portal

https://edmundsgovtech.wistia.com/medias/cmc7wzifwc

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

at 855-367-6708
Stream Clearing Guidance

Recently, the question has been asked, is the Borough of Allendale responsible for the clearance of streams that flow through the Borough on private property or within legal easements?

The answer is no. The Borough of Allendale is not responsible for the clearance of streams that flow through the Borough on private property or easements. Property owners are the parties responsible for the maintenance and cleaning of waterways, which can be undertaken privately, under certain limited circumstances, without the issuance of an NJ DEP permit.

Stream cleaning entails desilting or de-snagging a channel or removing accumulated garbage or debris from an active waterway. It does not entail making a channel deeper or wider than it previously was, as this could result in worsened flooding on properties located downstream of the area to be cleaned. Stream cleaning is a regulated activity under NJ Flood Hazard Area Control Act Rules. These Rules (NJAC 7: 13-7.1 et seq.) generally authorize property owners, under defined circumstances, to remove accumulated debris when such removal can be done without securing an actual DEP Permit. In most instances, debris can be removed without a permit if it does not require the use of heavy machinery.

Recently, the County of Bergen has also issued updated guidance on stream clearing. The County has indicated that certain stream clearing activities may be undertaken by County Mosquito Control agencies only when necessary to control mosquito infestation. To that end, the County will only undertake such operations to prevent the accumulation of stagnant water, thus reducing the need for regular mosquito treatments. Such County assistance is provided only at the written request of municipalities, which must be accompanied by a multitude of engineering and legal requirements, including indemnity and hold harmless provisions.

If you have any questions on this issue please contact the Borough at 201-818-4400 x200 or email info@allendalenj.gov

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**PLANT SALE**

*The Allendale Garden Club*

Saturday, May 21, 2022 from 8 a.m. until noon at The Lee Memorial Library Grounds, 500 W. Crescent Avenue, Allendale, NJ

A rich variety of plants selected from our members’ gardens, as well as locally grown nursery plants, will be available at reasonable prices. This outdoor event is rain or shine.

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**Bergen County Addiction Support**

201-589-2976 | #StoptheODs

[Website Link]
Dear Residents,

The Following Permits and Applications from the Construction and Zoning Office must be submitted online for processing. Please click the links below to access the forms from our website:

- **Certificates of Compliance** (For the sale or rental of a home)
- **Tree Removal Permits**
- **Zoning Review Applications** ([Residential](#) and [Commercial](#))
- **Shed Zoning Permits**
- **Fence Zoning Permits**
- **Temporary Sign Permits**
- **Soil Movement Permits**
- **Dumpster Permits**
- **Sidewalk Permits**
- **Driveway Permits**

If you have any questions, please contact our office Monday - Friday 9am to 1pm at 201-818-4400 x201
Residents may have received notification from VP/General Manager Alan Whelan, the SUEZ-VEOLIA merger is complete, and they have officially become VEOLIA. We will start seeing the transition to the name-VEOLIA. This does not impact our sale of the Allendale water system to SUEZ/VEOLIA as we have been expecting this change since last summer. Our working team remains the same and SUEZ/VEOLIA remains committed to providing excellent water service as our contract operator currently and as our official water provider once the sale of the system closes. We continue to make forward progress on this process.

On March 24, 2024, the Allendale Council passed Resolution 22-103 authorizing Mayor Bernstein to sign the Allendale Purchase Agreement. The agreement follows a voter referendum that took place in November 2021, in which over two-thirds of Allendale voted in favor of the sale. Final approval is needed from the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. Closing is expected late summer early fall 2022. SUEZ continues to operate the system through an operations and management agreement with the Borough of Allendale.

Allendale water currently remains in compliance with all NJDEP Quality regulations. SUEZ is fully committed to meeting and exceeding requirements for the removal of PFAS from our drinking water as the EPA and NJDEP introduce new regulations. Levels of PFAS at the existing New Street Wells are near the regulatory limits, Well 11 is currently turned off. The parties have concluded that treatment will be needed prior to completion of the Permanent New Street Treatment Plant and as such the parties have agreed that should the sale of the water system to Suez proceed as planned, Suez shall design, construct, and install temporary PFAS treatment at the New Street Treatment Plant on or before May 5, 2023. If Allendale water exceeds the maximum contaminant limits prior to this time, residents will be notified.

Should any residents have concerns or questions, please contact Councilwoman Liz Homan by email, lizhoman@allendalenj.gov
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.
Effective May 4, 2022, NJ Law will ban single-use plastic bags at all retail stores, food service businesses and grocery stores, as well as paper bags at grocery stores at or larger than 2,500 square feet. The law also bans food service businesses from providing polystyrene foam food products.

As of November 4, 2021, plastic straws will only be available upon a customer’s request.

A REUSABLE CARRYOUT BAG IS DEFINED AS A BAG THAT IS:

- Made of polypropylene fabric, PET nonwoven fabric, nylon, cloth, hemp product, or other washable fabric; and
- Has stitched handles, not glued; and
- Is designed and manufactured for multiple reuses; and Is capable of withstanding multiple washes while maintaining usefulness and integrity; and
- Has a minimum of 125 uses.

For more information on the NJ Bag Ban Law, please visit:
https://www.nj.gov/dep/plastic-ban-law/

For more information on Business Compliance, contact the NJ Business Action Center:
https://business.nj.gov/recent/disposable-bag-ban

IMPORTANT DATES!

- November 4, 2021
  - Plastic Straws By-Request-Only
- May 4, 2022
  - Polystyrene Foam Food Service Products Ban
  - Single-Use Carryout Bag Ban
    - (P.L. 2020, c.117)

www.BagUpNJ.com
Staying up to date:
Stay up to date with the latest information on COVID-19:
Bergen County’s COVID-19 Information: [https://www.co.bergen.nj.us/health-promotion/2019-novel-corona-virus](https://www.co.bergen.nj.us/health-promotion/2019-novel-corona-virus)

Allendale Ambulance Corps hosted their 1st Annual Casino Night on Thursday, March 24 at the Hackensack Golf Club in Emerson, NJ, for the purpose of raising funds towards the purchase of a new ambulance. Thank you to the following businesses who were our Casino Night’s Table Sponsors were: Allendale Center for Senior Living, Cousins II Plumbing & Heating, Cousins III Construction, Fylstra & Associates, LLC Accountants, Il Villaggio, and Let Loose Gym. Thanks also to the dozens of businesses and corps members who donated items for the Tricky Tray. And…to the residents of Allendale who came and played with at Casino Night: THANK YOU for your support of Allendale’s Volunteer Ambulance Corps!

ALSO…as a reminder, the Allendale Ambulance Corps is always looking for members so we can continue to provide emergency medical services to Allendale and Saddle River—24/7 – 365 days a year! All Volunteer! No cost to you!

Are you a stay at home mom or dad? Nurse? Student? Work from home? We can use YOU! We provide all the necessary training and support needed for you to have a successful volunteer experience.
Allendale Police responding to community speeding complaints

The Police Department continues to receive resident complaints of speeding on numerous County and Municipal roads throughout the Borough. This safety and quality of life issue is taken very seriously by Chief of Police Dillon and all our Police Officers and staff. Municipal speed limit signs have been inventoried by our Department of Public Works and new signs were just added where additional attention to the speed limit was needed. Officers are continuously detailed to directed deterrent speed enforcement based on a list of community complaint roadways. With the approach of warmer sunnier weather, the Police Department's speed display radar trailers will again be deployed where targeted enforcement initiatives are warranted. Strict radar enforcement follows all radar trailer placements.

The County Engineer has also been requested by Borough Officials to evaluate posted curve warning speeds to determine where lower speeds and increased signage on County roads can be implemented. The County advises all of their roads curve warning speeds will be re-evaluated this year.

Residents are urged to monitor their own speed and set the pace for all roadway users at the speed limit. Any resident with general speed concerns on their street should feel free to call in to the desk non-emergency number, (201)825-1900 24/7 or email their observations to info@allendalepd.org
Be a part of our team!
Contribute to the safety of our children!
Become an Allendale School Crossing Guard!

$20 / hour
Per-diem positions open now!

Work times during normal school days:
7:45 AM to 9:00 AM
11:15 AM to 12:45 AM
3:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Relief/fill in guards can elect to cover all three
times or one or two! Every bit helps! Training,
equipment, and periodic physical included!

Contact the Allendale Police at info@allendalepd.org or
201-825-1900 for more information or to apply!
Mark your calendars for our Spring Autumn Years Living Expo and gather great information on travel & leisure, senior living, health & well-being, finance & legal services and more!

Enjoy the day connecting with friends while being outside under Allendale’s Red Barn.

We will be providing a complimentary light breakfast and lunch.

Register for this FREE event by:
email: autumnyearsliving@gmail.com
call: (201) 747-2874
website: autumnyearsmag.com

Thank You to our Sponsors!
The Allendale Woman’s Club is **excited** to once again be hosting our Annual Fashion Show on Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 6:30 pm at Season’s 644 Pascack Road Washington Township, NJ

We are thrilled to support Table to Table, a food rescue program essential to helping people in need in Bergen, Hudson, Essex & Passaic counties. For more information, go to [www.tabletotable.org](http://www.tabletotable.org)

**Join us for an evening of Fashion, Food, Fundraising, and more!**

- Tickets are $100 per person (includes open bar, dinner, baskets, raffles, and dancing).
- Fashion Show seats are available on a first-come basis and are non-refundable.
- At the time of this writing, the AWC plans to require Proof of COVID vaccination with ID to be checked at the door before entering Season’s. Check on the AWC website for updates prior to the event.

**Instructions:**

1. **Complete form** electronically via the Google Form at [https://forms.gle/MJX2wglfhAVsExvYT8](https://forms.gle/MJX2wglfhAVsExvYT8) or print and mail this form (address below).
2. **Make payment** via PayPal [https://www.paypal.me/AllendaleWomansClub](https://www.paypal.me/AllendaleWomansClub) or mail check to Denise LaGalia at 30 Louise Ct. Allendale, NJ 07401. Make checks payable to “Allendale Woman’s Club”.
3. Payments can be made **individually** or as a **group**. Group payments need to include all guest names and emails to ensure seating at same table (max. 12 seats). Table Leaders, please relay payment options to all guests.

   Contact Denise LaGalia at 201-657-1154 or Denise.LaGalia@me.com with questions.

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**First Name ______________________ Last Name ______________________**

Email __________________________________________________________ Phone # ______________________

Address ____________________________________________________________________________________________

Payment Method (Circle one): PayPal or Check  # of Tickets _______ X $100   Total Payment: $_______

For a group table, please list name and email of each guest to be seated at the table (max. 12 seats)

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