THE BOROUGH OF LLENDALE

OVEMBER 2022

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A Message From Mayor Bernstein:

Happy Birthday, Allendale! On November 10th, 1894, the Borough of Allendale was incorporated. This was brought to my attention by our newly appointed Borough Historian Fred Litt. I am happy to announce that Mr. Litt was appointed to that volunteer position at our October 27th Council Meeting. Mr. Litt is probably the most ardent and passionate supporter of Allendale and its history. He will be working with our borough staff to inventory and preserve our history for future generations. I am thrilled to have Fred Litt in this position. Thank you to Council President Amy Wilczynski for working hard to make this happen. You can read more about Allendale's birthday in this issue of Allendale Happenings!

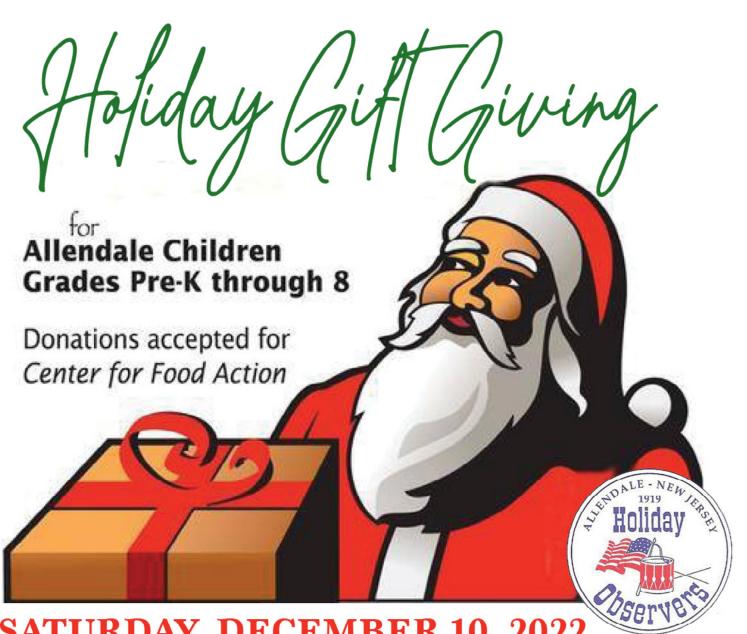
On November 8th, Allendale residents went to the polls on Election Day! Thank you to our Borough Clerk Linda Cervino, her staff, and all the poll workers for making Election Day run very smoothly. Congratulations to Amy Wilczynski on becoming Mayor-Elect. Another congratulation to Councilman Matt O'Toole for his reelection and a big congratulations to Tyler Yaccarino on his election to the Council. Allendale's future is in good hands!

Each year, on November 11th, we take time to recognize and thank all those who served honorably in the military - in wartime or peacetime. Your service and sacrifice in serving our nation and defending our freedoms will always be remembered and honored.

Finally, Thanksgiving is a truly special and uniquely American holiday. One that brings us together with family and friends to celebrate and be thankful for what we have. Happy Thanksgiving, Allendale!

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2022 1 PM - 4 PM

Town Square, 114 W Allendale Ave Gifts From Santa!

All PRE-K through 8th grade children.

- See Santa arrive in town riding on the Allendale Fire Truck!
- Refreshments Served!
- NHRHS Highlands Voices
- 🗟 Gifts for all Children!

Donations accepted for Center for Food Action

PLACE CURBSIDE AFTER 6PM THE NIGHT BEFORE THE SCHEDULED PICK-UP WEEK FOR YOUR SIDE OF TOWN

THE BOROUGH OF

EAST SIDE:

ALLENDALE

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WEST SIDE:

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Week of November 28th Week of December 5th

Why Allendale Bags Our Leaves

AFTER RESEARCHING THE TOPIC OF CURBSIDE LEAF COLLECTION, ALLENDALE HAS DECIDED AGAINST IT FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

- <u>HIGH COST</u> THE COST OF THE LEAF VACUUM TRUCK IS APPROX. \$500,000 AND IS NOT A CANDIDATE FOR SHARED SERVICE BECAUSE OF SCHEDULING ISSUES. WE WOULD PROBABLY NEED 2 TO GET BOTH SIDES IN A TIMELY MANNER.
- MANPOWER YOU NEED 3 PEOPLE TO RUN IT, SIMILAR TO A GARBAGE TRUCK AND WE DO NOT HAVE THE STAFF TO SUPPORT THIS.
- <u>NARROW STREETS</u> MANY OF OUR STREETS HAVE SMALL CARTWAY WIDTHS SO ADDING LEAVES WOULD IMPEDE TRAFFIC FLOW CAUSING THE ROADWAY TO BECOME NARROW AND DANGEROUS TO PASS THROUGH.
- <u>Accidents</u> Our police are not in favor of it stating that wet leaves cause slippery roadways which can cause accidents.
- FIRE HAZARD DRY LEAVES ARE A FIRE HAZARD WHEN IN CONTACT WITH CATALYTIC CONVERTERS OF PARKED CARS.
- <u>SAFETY</u> KIDS AND PETS TEND TO PLAY IN LEAVES, EVEN IN THE STREET, WHICH MAKES IT AN ATTRACTIVE NUISANCE.
- **FLOODING** NJDEP STORM REGULATIONS PROHIBIT LEAVES IN THE STREET CLOGGING STORM DRAINS AND CATCH BASINS. OUR AREA IS PRONE TO FLOODS SO THIS WOULD BE EXACERBATED BY ALLOWING LEAVES IN THE STREET.
- <u>UNDESIRABLE MESS</u> IN THE TOWNS THAT STILL ALLOW LEAVES IN THE STREET, IT IS VERY MESSY. ON THE BUSIER STREETS, LEAVES ARE ALL OVER THE PLACE AS CARS DRIVE BY FAST.
- MORE LEAVES A COMMON COMPLAINT IN TOWNS THAT HAVE LEAF PICK-UP IS THAT LANDSCAPERS TEND TO DUMP AND DISTRIBUTE
 LEAVES FROM OTHER JOBS
- <u>STORAGE/EXPENSE</u> THERE IS NOWHERE FOR THE BOROUGH TO STORE ALL THE LEAVES SO WE WOULD HAVE TO PAY A HAULER TO TAKE THEM AWAY- ANOTHER EXPENSE.

Allendale History

Happy Birthday Allendale!



On November 8, 1894, 111 qualified residents of Franklin, Ho-Ho-Kus, and Orvil Townships voted 100-11, in the basement of Archer Church, to combine/ incorporate portions of their townships as the "Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale." Two days later, on November 10, 1894, the results were filed, thereby incorporating the borough on this date. In 1903, the council voted to shorten the name to the "Borough of Allendale."

On December 18, 1894, the Mayor and Council held their first meeting in Councilman Walter Dewsnap's parlor (street address unknown). Subsequent Mayor & Council meetings were held wherever they could find space, later being held in Allendale's second schoolhouse, built in 1862, located on today's Allendale Police Dept headquarters. FYI, this schoolhouse was later sold to H.J. Appert, moved to today's Celery Farm, where it burned down in the 1930s. Allendale has never built its own borough hall.

As such, and nonetheless, on November 10, 2022, we celebrate Allendale's 128th anniversary of incorporation.

Fred Litt Borough Historian



Let the Vial of Life speak for you---when you can't speak for yourself!

During medical emergencies, Emergency Medical Responders need to gather critical information about you to render the best care... To start, we must have your name, date of birth, allergies, current medications, and medical history. Allendale Ambulance Corps is participating in the VIAL OF LIFE PROGRAM, which is an easy way for you and your family to have important life-saving information available for Emergency Medical Responders in the event you are injured or ill at your home and unable to communicate. While it is useful for all family members, it is especially helpful for senior citizens, those living alone, or those who are chronically ill.

AVAC is GIVING away---FREE--- Vial of Life packets which are easy to prepare for you and your loved ones. To obtain a FREE Vial of Life packet, email us at chief@allendaleambulance.org and we will have a member drop it off in your mailbox

Your donations to the Allendale Volunteer Ambulance Corps are truly appreciated! New members are ALWAYS welcome--Free training opportunities! Allendale Volunteer Ambulance Corps has served Allendale and surrounding communities for over 85 years! Come and join us! For more information, call Chief Daryl D'Amore Bottaro, 201-739-4715.





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: <u>firechief@allendalenj.gov</u>



Hello Fellow Allendale Residents,

Hope this letter finds you and your family happy and healthy. I would like to take a moment to discuss some winter related issues. Here are a few related borough ordinances which residents should be aware of:

Ordinance 252-7A prohibits parking any vehicle between the hours of 3:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. upon any street in the Borough of Allendale. This ordinance is in effect during the entire year.

Ordinance 252-81 states: Whenever snow has fallen and the accumulation is such that plowing and/or snow removal will be required by the Borough, an emergency is deemed to exist and no vehicles shall be parked on any street or highway within the Borough. Such parking prohibition shall remain in effect after the snow has ceased until the streets have been plowed sufficiently and to the extent that parking will not interfere with the normal flow of traffic.

Ordinance 233-28 states: No owner, tenant or occupant of any premises abutting on any street shall throw, place or deposit any snow or ice upon the street. The intent of this section is to prohibit all persons from throwing, placing or depositing snow or ice accumulating on the private property of that person upon municipal streets or sidewalks of the Borough.

To facilitate effective and efficient snow removal from our streets, please follow these ordinances and help our borough employees and contractors do their important work. Please remember to check on your neighbors and please feel free to contact the police department should the need arise. We are here for you!

Thank you for your cooperation!

Sincerely, Michael T. Dillon Chief of Police, Allendale Police Department



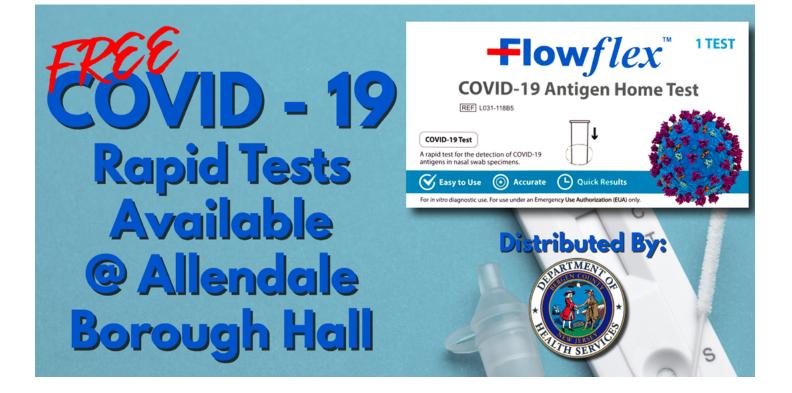
The Allendale Chamber of Commerce proudly presents their annual:

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2022 6:00PM-8:00PM

Join us in downtown Allendale for holiday cheer, shopping and celebration of another wonderful year in this community!

Street Closure | 6:00PM AB&G Tree Lighting | 6:15PM Santa's Arrival | 6:30PM



220/230 West Crescent Update (formerly Black Millwork)

The Borough is still navigating through legal documents with Hampshire and is looking to close on 220 WC (front building) in the very near future.

As soon as the closing is complete, the front building will be demolished. Residents will soon see fencing and equipment in the area as the demo portion is getting ready to mobilize.

220 West Crescent will be comprised of 70 units - built by Hampshire and a municipal community center. The building of the new municipal community center will commence once the Borough finalizes plans and goes to bid. We also applied for a Federal grant and have so far received encouraging news that we will receive it. This grant will make a significant impact on the cost of this project.

The Borough closed on the back building (230 West Crescent) last year which currently functions as a small warehouse.

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

If you have any questions, please email: <u>amywilczynski@allendalenj.gov</u>

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Downtown Streetscape Update

The downtown streetscape project continues to progress and we are finishing up the last portion of this phase by Thanksgiving.

The downtown area was last updated over 30 years ago with the addition of our town clock as the centerpiece. The Mayor and Council in the early 90's decided to make improvements to "give the town a facelift and make it more attractive".

Despite years of upkeep since then, the downtown was looking tired. The pavers could no longer be cleaned, the trees outgrew the space and the clock stopped working. We decided to take advantage of grants that were being offered to fund downtown beautification projects. The timing worked out perfectly.

There are a few more phases for the project to be 100% complete including repairing the clock. We look forward to a new and beautiful downtown for our residents and merchants to be proud of.

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Allendale Green Team

The Green Team continues the Trex Challenge program. Please be aware that plastic bags continue to be collected and recycled via the Borough Hall collection bin at the ACME and ShopRite. This includes bubble wrap, plastic shipping envelopes, bread bags, plastic wrap from toilet tissue and cases of water bottles, etc. If you have a question contact the Green Team.

We have a few Compost Bins and Rain Barrels left for sale. Leaves, flowers, potato peals, apple cores, egg shells, and many more items can be composted. You will be rewarded with free and very fertile compost for your Spring garden. Purchase your bin or barrel at Borough Hall. Delivery is also available for a small fee.

Please save your EPS "Styrofoam" packing foam for the upcoming holiday collection events. Please do not discard that foam! YES, it is recyclable. The last event in Oakland filled a 20' box truck. That's 980 cubic feet of packing foam which were kept from a landfill and recycled.

We welcome questions and suggestions and your participation. Contact us at <u>AllendaleGreenTeam@gmail.com</u>



For Non-Emergency Notifications please register to receive updates from <u>Constant Contact</u> For Emergency Notifications please register to receive updates from <u>SWIFTREACH</u>

Get Applications and Registration Forms ONLINE at www.allendalenj.gov

- Dog & Cat Licenses
- Construction Permits
- Garage Sale Permits
- Report a Concern & Property Maintenance Complaints
- Open Public Records Requests
- No Knock Permits

Storm Drains & 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.

GARBAGE & RECYCLING REMINDERS

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- 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 info@AllendaleNJ.gov at least 4 • 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 Container One: 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

- 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.

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