

*Presentation of Proclamations, Petitions and Other Communications*

Mayor Barra commented that for those people who don't know Patty Wardell, she compiled an extensive history of Allendale which is a community that is steeped in history. In a few minutes, she will be confirmed as Allendale's Historian Emeritus by a Proclamation from the Mayor and Council. When the Library is rededicated, the town will have an opportunity to become more aware of her book, the proclamation and Ms. Wardell's dedication to the Fell House.

He opened the meeting to the public for comments about Patty Wardell.

Marilyn Tackaberry of 41 Ivers Road said she has lived in Allendale all of her life. She complimented Patty Wardell for the contributions she has made to the town. She noted that Ms. Wardell started the Historical Society in 1974 and wrote a quarterly newsletter on the history of the town. Many people wrote to her about their experiences growing up in Allendale. Ms. Tackaberry said Patty Wardell is a wonderful historian and over many years she selected

material for her book, Allendale, Background of a Borough. Ms. Tackaberry has compiled a family history with the use of Patty Wardell's materials. She concluded by thanking the Mayor and Joanne Hart for their help in making this proclamation possible.

Joanne Hart of 96 Dale Avenue said the front of Ms. Warfell's book is a chronological history and the back of the book is a genealogical history of every family in Allendale. Patty Wardell researched all the families in the book and hand typed twelve boxes full of data which would later be compiled into the book. Although Ms. Wardell moved to Florida in the mid-1990s, she continued to compile historical information for all of the original families of Bergen County. Ms. Hart's daughter, Ellie previously scanned in the book compiled by Patty Wardell to make it accessible to more people.

Nancy Greene of 299 Brookside Avenue thanked Mrs. Tackaberry for telling her about this evening's event honoring Patty Wardell. She too has worked with Joanne Hart on compiling additional information on Allendale's history. As director of the Ridgewood Library, she offered to share any resources she has access to concerning Allendale's history.

Suzanne Lovisolo of 88 Schuyler Road thanked Marily Tackaberry for promoting the recognition of Patty Wardell. As the mother of a third grader, she thanked Ms. Wardell for compiling the book on Allendale which third grade classes use in a study of the Borough.

*Proclamation for Patricia Webb Wardell*

*Whereas Patricia Webb Wardell grew up in Allendale, and*

*Whereas, her home on Crescent Place was built by her Grandfather, James Webb who moved to Allendale in 1894, and*

*Whereas, her father, John Durie Webb was an Allendale Councilman and President of the Council in 1948, and*

*Whereas, Patti married Walter Wardell and they lived with their three children on Allen Street and Edgewood Road, and*

*Whereas, in 1967 the Hillside School was built, and with the help of the Junior Women's Club, Patti created a "traveling library" for the school, and*

*Whereas, Patti organized the Allendale Historical Society which had sixty-nine charter members on October 7, 1974, and*

*Whereas, for twenty five years Patti collected information about the Borough of Allendale, and in 1994 she published a book entitled, "Allendale, Background of a Borough", and*

*Whereas, it contains a wealth of information about the history of the area, the Borough of Allendale, and its early families and businesses.*

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that I, Vince Barra, On behalf of the Council of the Borough of Allendale recognize and honor Patricia Wardell and her family for their service to the Borough of Allendale.*

*Be It Further Resolved that the Mayor and Council bestow upon Patricia Webb Wardell the title of "Historian Emeritus" of the Borough of Allendale.*

*Be It Further Resolved that they extend their thanks to her on behalf of the residents of Allendale for all she has done to preserve the history of the Borough for the generations to come.*

Mr. Barra will send an original of the proclamation to Ms. Wardell along with a cover letter.