

SERVICE CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

American Legion
Art and Opera Club
Athletic Association
Boy Scouts
Catholic War Veterans
Cub Scouts
Chamber of Commerce
Civic Association
Columbus Cadets
Democratic Club
Field & Stream Association
Fyke Nature Association
Garden Club
Girl Scouts & Brownies
Girl Scouts Leaders Association
Guardian Angel Guild
Holiday Observers
Independent Voters League
Junior Womens Club
Men's Club
Parent-Teachers Association
Republican Club
Swimming Pool Committee
Senior Womens Club
Valley Hospital Aux.
Women's Evening & Women's Club
War Memorial Committee

SCHOOLS

Allendale's grade school children attend classes in a modern brick school near the center of town. The population growth in Allendale has necessitated the addition of two additions, the more recent addition having been completed in 1961, 906 students and 40 teachers.

The Mahwah High School, which was completed in 1959, accomodates Allendale's high school students. Bus transportation is of course, provided for the students. Nearby St. Luke's Catholic High School is also attended by many Allendale pupils.

There are several fine nursery schools for preschool children in the Allendale vicinity, many providing transportation.

CHURCHES LOCATED IN ALLENDALE

Archer Memorial Methodist Church
Calvary Lutheran Church
Church of the Epiphany
Guardian Angel Roman Catholic Church

LOCAL BUSINESSES

A & P Food Store
Aluminum Corp.
Antique Shop
Automobile Sales & Service
Auto Parts
Bakery
Bank, National
Bar and Grill and Tavern
Barbers
Beauty Salon

Building Contractors
Bulldozing Service
Carpenters
Cesspool Service
Dry Cleaners and Tailors
Coal and Fuel Oil Company
Coal and Lumber Company
Convalescent Home
Construction Co.
Delicatessen
Drapery Store
Dress Shop
Electricians
Fencing Co.
Five & Ten Cent Store
Floor Waxing
Florist
Green House
Gift Shop
Gas & Service Stations
Hardware Store
Insurance Agencies
Lawyers
Liquor Sales
Mason Contractors
Meat Market
Motor Service
Notary Publics
Painters
Pharmacy
Plumbing & Heating
Picture Framing
Press - Printers
Radio & TV Sales & Repairs
Real Estate Agencies
Riding School
Savings & Loan Association
Shoe Repair
Snow Plowing
Sign Studio
Slip Covers and Upholstery
Stationery & Luncheonettes
Taxi Service
Top Soil
Tree Expert
Trucking & Moving & Excavating
Women's Apparel Shop

THIS IS

ALLENDALE,

NEW JERSEY



This pamphlet has been prepared by the Chamber of Commerce of Allendale and Mrs. Walter Wardell in order to present a brief history of our town, general information regarding the town, and a list of businesses and services available in Allendale.

ABOUT ALLENDALE

Allendale is a scenic New Jersey suburb nestled in the foothills of the Ramapo Mountains 15 miles from the George Washington Bridge. It has tree-lined streets, modern residences, and a compact business center which extends for a block on both sides of West Allendale Avenue. Most of the buildings in the business center were built after a real estate boom in 1925-1929 and consequently are comparatively modern in appearance.

Allendale is about 400 feet above sea level and has a comfortable climate. (Average temperature: January, 31.7 degrees F.; July, 74.2 degrees F. Average annual precipitation, 34.7 in.) Allendale has long been noted for its beauty of scenery and healthful climate. Area 2½ square miles.

Until 1798, it was included in Franklin Township, Allendale had no local government. In 1848 Allendale was transferred to Ho-Ho-Kus Township, set off from Franklin. Still later it was included in Orvil Township, formed in 1885 from Ho-Ho-Kus and Washington Townships.

In 1894 Allendale campaigned for and won authorization to withdraw from Orvil Township, establish its own school district, and elect a mayor and council. The immediate cause for the separation from Orvil Township was a school controversy that raged throughout northern New Jersey during the years 1890-95.

The Paterson and Ramapo Railroad, a narrow gauge line connecting with the Erie at Suffern, N. Y. and with the Long Dock Railroad to Jersey City at Paterson, arrived in the 1850's. Allendale was named for Col. William C. Allen who surveyed the route for this railroad in 1846.

Commuters and their families form the majority of Allendale's population of 4069 (1960 census) and with good cause; Allendale is one of the most convenient North Jersey commuting towns.

Erie-Lackawanna local and express trains run to Hoboken, N. J. with additional trains running during rush hours. Ferry or tube trains provide transportation between Hoboken and New York City. There is ample free parking provided at the Allendale station.

Short Line buses to the Port of Authority Terminal in New York City stop on Route 17 at East Allendale Avenue and at points along Franklin Turnpike, with additional buses running at rush hours. Public Service Bus line from Ramsey thru Allendale and Ridgewood to Paterson. Bill's Bus Line from Allendale to Paterson.

In addition to its availability to New York City, Allendale is within easy commuting distance to many large plants & businesses in nearby towns. Within 15 minutes ride, for example, is a large industrial park with branch offices of nationally known industries. Also located in the vicinity of Allendale are offices of the Gas & Electric Companies serving the area.

Although commercialism is nearby, Allendale itself has remained free from any vast industries and therefore maintains its small-town charm.

BOROUGH SERVICES

Ambulance Corps, 2 ambulances & 25 members

Board of Education

Board of Health

Civilian Defense

Fire Department, 2 fire trucks, 1 emergency truck, 45 active members.

Police Department, 4 man police force

Post Office, first class

PUBLIC WORKS

Health Department

Planning Board

Tax Collector

Boro Clerk

Water Department

Welfare Board

Civil Defense

Shade Tree Commission

GENERAL INFORMATION

Allendale is governed by a mayor and council and borough officials include a Tax Collector, Building Inspector, and a Borough Clerk, all with offices at the Municipal Building.

The Lee Memorial Library, located near the business center, is a free library whose services are available to all residents of Allendale. It is well stocked with standard and current volumes for both adults and children.

There are several excellent doctors and dentists who practice in Allendale and at the Valley Hospital, which serves the Allendale area, is within 15 minutes ride.

Located in Allendale are both private and public swimming pools and a recreation park. Nearby entertainment facilities include movie theaters, country clubs, and bowling alleys.

Allendale's taxes are in line with all of the towns in the vicinity.