

## News from Borough Hall

### Mayor's Column Albert H. Klomburg

We applaud the formation of the Allendale Neighborhood Preservation Association. Although established in response to the threat of unwarranted expansion of Highland Manor, ANPA appears to be the first group to reach out to the entire community. In the past Allendale has had a number of neighborhood committees. In the late sixties I was involved with the successful battle against a townhouse development at the end of Wilton Drive and the unsuccessful fight to stop the initial expansion of the Allendale Nursing Home through the Citizens for Better Allendale. As different areas felt threatened, CBA was passed from neighborhood to neighborhood with new local committee formed. Perhaps their greatest battle was the struggle against the North American Realty Corporation development. There are, and have been, members of CBA on the Governing Body, Planning Board and Board of Adjustment.

Three years ago we celebrated our centennial where a majority of our citizens participated in the planning and activities. The desire to preserve our uniqueness was the predominant feeling expressed by the Community. We have been able to retain the charm of early Allendale while blending in modern conveniences that attract new residents but do not estrange lifelong families. This achievement is not an easy task today. We are constantly at odds with both the courts and the government in Trenton. Home Rule, the ability to decide our own community's zoning and philosophy, is continually under attack. Current legislation that would virtually strip the Planning Board of most of its powers in overseeing development has sailed through the State Legislature despite the objection of local governments.

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### New Water Treatment Facility Approved

#### Three Borough Wells to Come Back into Permanent Service

On July 24<sup>th</sup> the Mayor and Council acted to increase the Borough's sources of available water by authorizing funds to build a permanent water treatment facility and help secure a safe and continuous supply of water into the next century. The facility will treat three existing wells that have been out of service and will have the capacity to handle a fourth active well should a need arise.

All of Allendale's drinking water comes from wells that tap into regional aquifers. Some of these wells are in Allendale and others are in neighboring municipalities. Over the years, a number of the Borough's wells have been closed down because they have been affected by evolving environmental conditions that generate volatile organic chemicals at levels too high to be safe for public consumption. As a result the Borough has only two remaining operating wells and has had to buy the majority of its water from the Borough of Ramsey, who in turn is partially supplied by Mahwah Township. This purchase of outside water raises the total cost for Allendale users.

In recent years water purification technology has advanced to the point where these wells can be revitalized through a process called remediation. Three wells in Allendale can produce enough water to make this remediation cost effective. One well, Number 15, has already been brought on-line for three summer seasons using a temporary system. This year a pipeline installed down New Street moved this treatment away from Park Avenue and adjacent to the Water Department offices. The pipeline will be a key connection in the permanent treatment process.

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**Red Barn  
Reservations for '98**  
See Pam at Borough Hall,  
beginning October 14, 1997

### **Crestwood Lake Summer Use Increased**

The summer season at Crestwood Lake proved successful. After an algae attack in June, the water quality remained high for the rest of the summer. Membership was up in 1997, with 771 individuals or families joining from Allendale and 182 from neighboring communities. Children from the Aleoop and the Gifted and Talented programs also used the lake.



### **Congratulations to the Crestwood Swim Team!**

Coached by Chris and Mike Robinson, the team won all dual swim meets and the league championship.

### **Japanese Students Visit Allendale**

On July 31<sup>st</sup>, 10 students and 2 officials from Omachi-Cho, our Japanese Friendship City, arrived for a six-day visit—the 7<sup>th</sup> year of exchanges between our communities. As in the past, our friends enjoyed their stay and were impressed with our schools, municipal facilities and local ambiance.

Many thanks to all who made them feel welcome, especially the host families of Botha, Henny, Sabino, Benvenuto, Grumble, and Moss. Next year our students will return the visit.

### **New Borough Sidewalk Installed...**

...Along West Crescent Avenue from the Mulch Area to the entrance to Crestwood Park. The Mayor and Council hope to continue sidewalk repairs each year on those sidewalks that are on Borough right of ways.

### **Reminder to Property Owners**

By Borough ordinance adopted in 1993, property owners are responsible for maintaining a safe sidewalk in good repair. Failure to do so is subject to penalty, not to mention insurance risks.

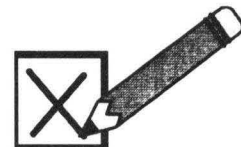
## **VOTING INFORMATION**

General Election November 4  
Polls Open from 7 AM to 8 PM

October 6<sup>th</sup> Last Day to Register to Vote  
Borough Hall open until 9 PM

October 28<sup>th</sup> Last Day to apply by mail for absentee ballot.

Any Questions? The Borough Clerk can help.  
Call Rick Kachmar at 818-4404



**REMEMBER TO VOTE**

### **Water, Continued from Page 1**

The treatment facility will be located at the end of New Street near the other two wells, Numbers 2 and 4 in a new, attractive structure, containing the machinery, pumps, piping, and instrumentation for a process called diffused bubble aeration.

Engineering estimates project construction costs of \$750,000, and the capital financing will be supported through water usage charges—not taxes. Because more water will come from local wells, the water department will buy less from our neighbors. The anticipated savings generated by the increased use of our own water should pay for the facility at no increased cost to water users. Allendale will become more self-sufficient, and residents will be more assured of a constant supply of water with fewer restrictions.

Because the facility requires permits and approval from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, actual construction will commence in the spring of 1998.

# 1997 FALL LEAF PICKUP SCHEDULE

Bagged Leaves Only

Place at Curb on Sundays of Your Scheduled Weeks

## West of Railroad Tracks

October 19    October 25  
November 2    November 8  
November 16    November 22

## East of Railroad Tracks

October 12    October 18  
October 26    November 1  
November 9    November 15



Please use biodegradable plastic or paper bags.

Please do not rake leaves into the street. It is against the law.

The leaf disposal area located on West Crescent Avenue, north of Crestwood Lake is open Saturdays from 9 AM to 5 PM and Sundays from 1 PM to 5 PM through December 21<sup>st</sup>. A Permit is required for use, available at Borough Hall for \$25.00.

## STREETS AND ROADS

### Downtown Parking is Changed

- 2 Hours now permitted along East Allendale Avenue in the business district.
- 15 Minutes directly in front of the Post Office.

### Road Resurfacing and Curbing

- Park Avenue, Erie Plaza, Conklin Court, Iroquois, Woodland, and Park Avenues have been repaved
- New Curbing is installed along Park, Donnybrook and Bonnie Way

### Railroad Underpass Lighting

At West Orchard and West Crescent, lights have been installed underneath the trestles for pedestrian safety.

### East Orchard Street Work Postponed Until Spring

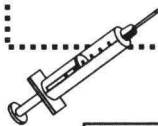
The condition of East Orchard Street requires a total reconstruction of the road bed. During the preliminary assessment, the engineer discovered that a section of the road needed new drainage pipes installed in order to avoid water accumulation that would only undermine the new road. In addition, new water hookups to several homes would replace older type of pipes. This additional work, plus the lateness of the year, forced the time-frame of the project too far into cold weather to safely proceed. Contractor bids will go out in late winter for an early spring start.



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I urge all residents to take an active role in working to preserve the Allendale we all know and love. We are always looking for willing individuals to serve on our boards and in elected office. All those with more than a neighborhood concern and the time to serve can make a difference by volunteering. If you are unable to serve, please support your governing body's efforts with letters and calls to our State Senators and Assembly members on the issues that affect our town. Most of all, let your feelings be known and take an active role in preserving our Allendale way of life.

**ADULT FLU CLINIC AT BORO HALL**  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1-3 PM**  
Strongly recommended for  
people over age 64



**Free Rabies Shots for  
Dogs & Cats**  
Saturday, November 1  
1 to 3 PM  
Ambulance Building  
Arcadia Road & Franklin Turnpike

While walking in the  
*Please, don't pick*  
leaves, or branches.  
unique natural



Celery Farm,  
wildflowers,  
Help keep our  
preserve safe.



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