

Mar. 9, 1975.

Dear Mrs. Wardell,

Enclosed is a check for the Membership Dues - for our Allendale Historical Society. It is a pleasure to be a member of this group and I gladly offer my dues.

My niece from Ridgewood sent me a Souvenir Booklet of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Allendale, last month. That was the first I had heard about the affair.

The picture of Allendale School - (courtesy of Ethel Berger) - is dated incorrectly. I conferred with Ethel about it and she agreed that the date should be 1905. It pictures Ethel Harris - as Principal, who was appointed as Principal in 1905 - after the resignation of Mr. Sayre June 1905.

Mr. Sayre served as Principal - Sept. 1902 - to - June 1905. Perhaps this is insignificant as of public interest - but I thought you would like the information for your records. Ethel's other picture of Allendale School is one of 1898 - (the one you showed me), and includes - my brother John - aged

6 - when he started "going to school".  
He is shown in the row along the  
windows - scowling hard about some-  
thing! Ethel, about the same age, is  
shown in that picture - and Gertrude also.

The article in the Sept. bulletin - about  
the Peat Industry is interesting. - The ex-  
perience of Mr. Sterling - Oct 6 1887 was pre-  
vious to the Apperts in Allendale.

A New York State man named Barth - pur-  
chased probably from Zabriskie <sup>on E. Allendale Ave</sup> the small  
house <sup>(third from Thomas property and</sup>  
directly across from what was then the  
Asten Boarding Houses - and also (2) - 7 acres  
of farmland - and raised onions on the  
farmland acreage. When Barth sold it -  
my father bought the house & farmland -  
as it adjoined the acreage Dad bought from  
Deyoe, and <sup>it</sup> also afforded an entrance off  
E. Allendale Ave. to the farm.

Congratulations on your successful  
historical enterprise and best wishes  
for continued success.

Sincerely  
Geo. M. Appert.