

East Valley Creek Floods Andover Again

Flash Flood Hits Andover Saturday Night

Saturday night, September 24, 1977, Andover was again hit with a flash flood when East Valley Creek rose to the same level that it reached during the flood of 1972, going over its banks and flooding the High School Grounds and the North East section of the Village.

Flash Flood Warnings had been posted Saturday afternoon and evening for the Counties in the North Western Sections of the State which included the Rochester and Buffalo areas, but in Allegany County and other sectors of the Southern Tier only a flood watch had been in effect and that was taken off in the evening.

Shortly after midnight, Acting Police Chief Robert Strimple notified Mayor Ralph Allen that local streets were being flooded and the Village Crew was called out to clear the storm sewers. Then, about an hour later Officer Ray Witter alerted Mayor Allen and informed him of the pending danger from East Valley Creek.

Mayor Allen reports that after making a quick survey and finding that the East Valley Creek was already cresting at the same level it had in 1972, and not knowing how much higher it might rise, the early warning procedure of the Civil Defense was followed with the notification of County Coordinator Robert Coulter of Wellsville.

Village Trustee Ann Appier was notified of the danger and reported to the Village Office to set up a Command Post Communication Center for emergency telephone calls etc. Supervising Principal Curville Jordan of Andover Central School was notified so that he could take whatever action was necessary to prevent possible damage at the school, and residents in the area of the school were notified of the possible impending danger where ever possible.

In the meantime, Fire Chief Encl Glover had been notified and was present on the scene in case any emergency arose where rescue operations might be necessary.

Fortunately for local residents the torrential downpour ceased as suddenly as it had started, and East Valley Creek level dropped as rapidly as it had risen but not before it had poured out from the area of the Herb Leonard home all over the School Grounds and surrounding area and even covering the North end of Church Street and up to the barn belonging to the Harris property flooding some of the cellars in that vicinity.

While these events were going on in the Village, reports of washed out roads in the rural areas gradually filtered in and after 3 a. m. Officer Strimple was called upon to investigate a 1 car accident on Grove Street above the Myrlan Phillipson home, outside of the Village.

Reporting to the scene of the accident, Officer Strimple reports that he found that the Town Highway on Grove Street had been almost entirely washed away in a large section and that a car operated by Andy Jackson had swerved to avoid hitting the barricade set out by the Town Highway Department and plunged 10 to 15 feet into the newly cut out creek bed.

Fortunately for Mr. Jackson and the other two passengers of the car, the crest of the creek had dropped below the danger point and they were able to escape from the partially submerged car and were apparently only shaken up from their terrifying experience. Since the accident occurred outside the Village limits, the State Police were called in to investigate the accident.

Mayor Allen stated that Village Officials appreciated the assistance rendered by local Citizens and personally wishes to thank everyone who helped in any manner during the emergency.

Proclamation

SINCE we live in a world of marvelous technological progress where continents and oceans can be spanned in mere hours. Through modern communications, we can contact people anywhere in the world in minutes. Men have walked upon the moon. Yet, in all corners of the earth poverty, sickness, loneliness and starvation are yet to be found, and millions still need understanding, compassion love and assistance.

MOREOVER AS it is toward this objective — service to the needy of the world — that more than 30,000 Lions Clubs, comprised of more than one million members are at work in 149 nations and geographical territories around the globe. These one million men, unified by humanitarian service, have but one objective: to bring to the needy and lonely the help and assistance they need to live with grace and dignity.

FURTHERMORE on October 8, 1977, the 30,000 Clubs of the International Association of Lions Clubs will meet in their communities to perform a special act of humanitarian service. This special act will symbolize the unity of purpose which is best defined by the motto of the world-wide Lions organization: "We Serve".

THEN LET IT BE KNOWN that the Andover Lions Club of Andover, New York, will observe this day by performing requested tasks for the elderly and shut-ins for the Village of Andover residents.

THEREFORE, to make all people more fully aware of the significance of the achievement of the Lions Club Members at work today throughout the world I, Ralph A. Allen Mayor, do hereby proclaim October 8, 1977, as World Lions Service Day here in Andover.

I urge all citizens of the Village of Andover to mark this occasion as a special observance in recognition of the numerous services provided by the Andover Lions Club to the needy and the lonely.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand.

RALPH A. ALLEN, Mayor



J. R. Bergerson's address is Buffalo General Hospital, 100 High St. Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. Bergerson is out of intensive care and on general routine.

Mrs. Clara Norris underwent major surgery at the Jones Memorial Hospital Sunday morning.

Mrs. Dorothea Brown, who resides with Mrs. Marco Conde, Elm St. was admitted to the Jones Memorial Hospital and is in intensive care, suffering from a cardiac condition.

Ralph Burgett underwent eye surgery Monday at the Jones Memorial Hospital.

Jennie Ball, a patient in Jones Memorial Hospital has been discharged.

Theodore Strouse is in the intensive care unit at Robert Packard Hospital, Sayre, Pa., with a cardiac condition.

Michelle Frost, a patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital has been discharged.

Jamie Ordway, a patient in the Bethesda Hospital, was discharged Tuesday.

Maurice Goodridge was admitted to the St. James Mercy Hospital Monday as a medical patient. He is in Room 212, Second Floor.

Notice!

The Andover Fire Department is planning a house-to-house canvass in the Village and Town of Andover for donations for the new Fire Department Complex. We have a goal of \$8,000 which we are hoping to raise. The canvass will be made by Firemen who will be assigned the various sections of Andover. The canvass will take place from October 8 to October 15.

Daniel Perkins, Chairman 40

The Mayor's Column

By "Red" Allen

Many of you readers know by now that it is my policy to give credit where credit is due. Many things that occur don't just happen, someone has to do a lot of work and often times enlist aid and assistance from friends and officials who are sympathetic to a well presented cause. Thus from time to time I will be doing this after the event has been established.

Last July your Mayor turned to one office in Albany for some help for pressing local problems. Not that we usually put a great deal of stock in Albany, for the town there is infested with a lot of bureaucrats.

But I'm happy to report we "nit paydirt" in a big way through Lieutenant Governor Mary Ann Krupak, who readily responded to our needs and who is rapidly setting an image of delivering results when nothing else works.

Here were some of the problem facing us in early July:

1. Some federal bureaucrat was going to deny our fair community \$116,000 in federal funds, which Krupak reminds us, is our funds.

2. Route 17 has been held up as everyone knows, by lack of settlement with the Indians near Salamanca, and crazy opposition over Chautauqua Lake near James town.

3. The Cannon property on Water Street has been water-logged for over 10 years because crews from the State Department of Transportation never put in the drainage right when the Hardy Hill by-pass was built.

Miss Krupak, who, like her campaign ads said, "ain't one of the boys," dispatched an aide David Eno, who appeared on the scene within a week. He called some of the "boys" in Albany and told them to cut out, shall we say, "horse feathers".

Today, as your Mayor, I am happy to report:

1. I have received notification from Washington that we will get the \$116,000 after all.

2. The state paid off the Indians for their land and Krupak met at the White House on the Chautauqua Lake crossing business to appraise them of her personal interest in the Southern Tier.

3. State Transportation Commissioner Hennessey responded with the area supervisor the following day and has been most gracious to your Mayor and this community in making arrangements to right the situation.

Miss Krupak is responding to this office and thereby to the small community of Andover, shows that elected officials can be something other than a bag of wind.

Also, she's delivering the kind of service we never saw before here in Andover or in the Southern Tier for that matter.

As your Mayor, I have invited the Lt. Governor to be our guest at next year's Maple Festival when 30,000 people will be in Andover.

It's our way of saying thanks for her action.

Presbyterian Church "Festival Of Talent" To Be Held October 2nd

The First Presbyterian Church will continue their "Festival Of Talent" series on Sunday, October 2nd with Mrs. Howard Gabriel as guest. Mrs. Gabriel will have a display of crafts in the church dining hall from 10:00 A. M. to 1:00 P. M. A Coffee Hour will be held from 11:30 a. m. to 1:00 p. m., to enable the public to come in and view Mrs. Gabriel's work.

Mrs. Gabriel is an experienced sewing and craft instructor and is hoping to teach some crafts in the community before the Christmas season. Everyone is cordially invited to come and see the many examples of her crafts.

Lions Notice

Andover Lions Club Board of Directors Meeting will be held Monday, October 3, at the Andover Methodist Church at 7:30 p. m. Zone I ACM Meeting Wednesday October 5 at 7:00 p. m. at the Cameo Restaurant, Wellsville.

Mrs. Mary Edith Milligan

Mrs. Mary Edith Milligan, 101 of 66 E. Main Street, Friendship, died Tuesday, September 27, 1977 in the Wellsville Nursing Home after a brief illness.

Born December 19, 1875 in the Town of Greenwood, she was a daughter of John and Belinda Orcutt Hartum. At the family home in West Greenwood, on September 22, 1902, she married George W. Milligan, who died in 1918. She had lived in the Greenwood area until 1946 when she moved to Friendship.

Mrs. Milligan was Friendship's oldest citizen and recently had been recognized as Greenwood's oldest living native.

She was an honorary member of the West Greenwood Grange of which she had been a member since 1908.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Ralph (Florence) Wickwire of Friendship; a son, Ernest Milligan of Andover; nine grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Friends are being received at the Davis Funeral Home, 50 E. Main Street, Friendship, Tuesday, from 7 to 9 p. m., and Wednesday 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p. m. Funeral and committal services will be held there Thursday at 2 p. m. The Rev. Erford Daniels, pastor of the United Methodist Church of Friendship, will officiate. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

Memorials, if desired, may be made to the Friendship First Aid Squad.

Red Cross Fund Drive To Be Held October 1 - 15

The Allegany County Chapter of the American Red Cross Fund Campaign gets under way under the direction of Mr. Gregory Burger, fund chairman. This year's fund campaign is being conducted in areas not covered by Federated funds, beginning October 1 - 15 for a two week period.

The local campaign is important because your Red Cross is aware and concerned with the well being and special needs of our communities and their residents, whether every day needs or major emergencies.

Will you be a good neighbor? We're counting on you. We need your support. Be generous when a volunteer calls on you.

Use the Classified Ad Section

Andover Lions To Observe World Day Of Service

The Andover Lions Club will again honor Lions International "World Service Day" on Saturday, October 8, 1977 according to Lion President Jim Bliss.

Lion President Bliss has appointed Lion Charles Wallace as Chairman for this project.

As in the past, the Andover Lions will perform tasks and any odd jobs for the Senior Citizens and other people in Andover who are physically unable to perform tasks which they have that need to be done.

Any person in Andover that comes under this classification that would like to have an odd job performed on Saturday, October 8, 1977 requested to contact Lion Charles Wallace at 478-8112; — Lyndon Goodridge 478-4050; — Robert Goodridge 478-8164; — Tom Smith 478-8380.

Please fill out this coupon and mail to:

Charles Wallace — R. D. 1, Andover, N. Y. 14806

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