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Dedication



Michael A. Canger, Jr.
1909-1974

This publication, like the entire year-long commemoration of Fair Lawn's 50th anniversary, has been dedicated to Michael A. Canger, Jr., who until the time of his death in January of this year, had distinguished himself as a leader in every field of endeavor in the borough.

Mike Canger, as Planning Board member and later as borough engineer during the years of Fair Lawn's greatest population influx and development, helped to shape the character of this dynamic community. Subsequently, as a Councilman and Deputy Mayor, he displayed sound and dedicated leadership.

But Mike Canger did not just limit his endeavors to governmental and municipal affairs. He worked tirelessly in behalf of civic, fraternal, professional, religious and social organizations, too numerous to mention, all of which today play important roles in the community he so loved.

Mike Canger gave of himself completely in the service of his fellow man through community endeavors. His courage, accomplishments and, above all, sincere devotion to his hometown go to make up the legacy left to Fair Lawn by Michael A. Canger, Jr.

With this in mind, we continue to honor him by carrying on his tradition.

Meet Your 50th Anniversary Chairman



E. JOHN GOTTLIEB

The name of E. John Gottlieb is, in so many ways, synonymous with dedication to community. Mr. Gottlieb, who serves as chairman of Fair Lawn's 50th Anniversary Celebration, has distinguished himself as a man who is totally dedicated to the service of his fellow Fair Lawnites.

His long record of service in the borough has been characterized by his devotion to a variety of causes, ranging from the "Cigarettes for Servicemen" drive conducted during World War II to, in recent years, the fund drive for the Opportunity Center, a facility for mentally retarded young adults.

E. John Gottlieb served on the Borough Council and as Deputy Mayor of our community. No stranger to celebrations of the town, he has served for many years on the borough's Holiday Celebrations Committee and, ten years ago, was selected to be chairman of Fair Lawn's 40th Anniversary.

But during Fair Lawn's 50th year, Mr. Gottlieb has surely crowned a long and distinguished career of community service. As chairman he has been an inspiration, not only to committee members, but to all Fair Lawnites. E. John Gottlieb's enthusiasm and dedication can serve as a model for all those who share his pride in Fair Lawn.



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TO THE PEOPLE OF FAIR LAWN

As we near the end of Fair Lawn's 50th Anniversary Celebration, I am able to look back at the past year's events with much satisfaction. It has been an honor and a privilege to have been able to help all borough residents celebrate our Golden Anniversary.

My deep appreciation is extended to each and every member of my Anniversary Committee for their diligent and selfless work on this project. The help and support I have received from the various program chairmen, the Borough Manager, The Mayor and Council, the Board of Education, and so many tireless workers has made this year such a great success. I must express my special thanks to all these people who have made my year as Chairman so rewarding.

My thanks also must be expressed to all our advertisers and patrons who have generated the proceeds to help defray the cost of our year long program.

My year as Chairman has once again reinforced my idea that Fair Lawn is a place of which we can be proud. It is my sincere desire, that as we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Fair Lawn, we take a moment to look back and reflect at the achievements of our town. It is my earnest hope that the future generations will continue to grow and prosper in Fair Lawn's fine tradition.

Sincerely,

E. John Gottlieb
General Chairman

From The Editors

This journal has been compiled to provide an overview of Fair Lawn today and as a reflection of its first 50 years of accomplishment.

We wish to express our appreciation to the many people who assisted in the publication of this book, without whose help the project would never have been possible.

To Mr. E. John Gottlieb, whose enthusiasm and dedication to the 50th Anniversary Celebration have served as an inspiration to us all, we offer our thanks and gratitude.

Special thanks go to the members of the 50th Anniversary Committee, especially Pat Burgess, Vera Fertel and Archie Aitchison. We acknowledge the Unifoil Co. of Fair Lawn for the magnificent cover of the book; Russ and Roy Zito, of the Zito Studios, Fair Lawn, who are responsible for the great majority of the photographs shown on these pages; Charles I. Wrubel, publisher of the Shopper and News-Beacon, and M. L. Moss, advertising manager, who handled the composition of the advertising pages and Edward Kimball of Kimball Press, Fair Lawn, printer of this book.

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The 50th anniversary journal has been categorized in the following manner:

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| 1. Municipal Services | 5. Business and Industry |
| 2. Volunteer Services | 6. Service Facilities |
| 3. Educational Progress | 7. Clubs and Organizations |
| 4. Religious Life of the Community | |

Also included on these pages are highlights of the 50th Anniversary year.

Jane Salek and Jim Storozuk

Special Acknowledgements

The 50th Anniversary Committee wishes to acknowledge the special assistance which the following people gave to us during the course of the year-long celebration:

Frank A. McBride Company

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Celebrating Fair Lawn's First Fabulous Fifty Years

The commemoration of Fair Lawn's 50th Anniversary, under the general chairmanship of E. John Gottlieb, has been a year-long series of events.

Appropriately, the youth of the community, representing Fair Lawn's future, kicked off the series of events with a Talent Show on April 24 and an historical program, featuring the girl scouts of the community, on April 28. The Elks Club-sponsored National Youth Day was presented on May 4.

A huge Community Exposition was set up on May 9, 10 and 11 at Fair Lawn High School, with representatives of industry, business, education, government, churches and service clubs joining hands to set up the booths which depicted every aspect of life in our town today.

On May 19 more than 3500 enjoyed a day of music, picnicking and games at Memorial Park at an event sponsored by the Board of Education. All the children who participated in the school system's music programs and their teachers presented an afternoon-long concert that was well-received by appreciative townspeople.

Other events during the month of May included a 50th Anniversary Luncheon, sponsored by the Jaycees on May 18; a concert by the West Point Band on May 22; the Cosmos Club Drum and Bugle Corps Competition on May 26 and a film at the library and a tour of the town on May 26.

Highlighting the month of May was a reenactment of the first Borough Council meeting of June 2, 1924, with the current members of the Borough Council along with Borough Manager George Pellack and Borough Clerk Donald De Bruin playing the parts of the first mayor, councilmen and borough clerk. A meeting of the first Borough Council to serve under the Council-Manager form of government was also reenacted.

Honored that evening were all former mayors and councilmen, who were accorded a standing ovation by the large audience of townspeople who turned out for the event on May 21. Following the meeting, the crowd adjourned to the Athletic Club for a 1920's style celebration, complete with hot dogs from an old-fashioned hot dog cart and a sing-a-long of tunes popular during that era.

The month of May was rounded out with the annual Memorial Day parade, held this year in honor of the 50th Anniversary.

In June, the Crimson Corps held its annual competition in conjunction with the 50th celebration and the Rotary Club revamped its annual picnic, given in honor of the borough's volunteers, as a Gay 20's Picnic.

The largest event of the year comes on Labor Day, with a giant parade, town-wide picnic at Memorial Park, a concert, games and many other festivities.

The Columbus Day and Halloween celebrations this year will also carry the 50th Anniversary theme.

Throughout the year, the borough has been bedecked with the blue and gold 50th Anniversary banners hanging from all public buildings and many places of business. Bumper stickers on cars and trucks all over town proudly proclaim the golden anniversary. Souvenir pitchers with the seal of Fair Lawn on them have been made up so that borough residents may have a memento of the occasion in their homes.

The Fire Department hosts its special celebration on September 28 when fire companies from all over Northern New Jersey will converge in Fair Lawn for a giant parade.

The entire celebration will culminate on November 16 when, in a grand gesture of tribute to their borough, Fair Lawn residents will attend the Grand Ball.



A CEREMONY IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS gave special honor to those who served Fair Lawn's governing body during the past 50 years. Here, E. John Gottlieb, general chairman for the anniversary celebration and, himself a former Deputy Mayor and Councilman, addresses the audience. Seated in the foreground (from left): N. J. Assemblyman C. Gus Rys, former Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councilman; John Pollitt, former Mayor and Councilman Frank Finn, former Councilman and Gottfried (Fred) Gentner, oldest living former Councilman.



AT THE ROTARY CLUB PICNIC, in honor of the borough's volunteers, Dr. Canger, Rotary president (left) greets E. John Gottlieb, 50th Anniversary general chairman.





COUNCILMAN ANDREW FOX (1974), whose father served on the first Borough Council in 1924 addresses the crowd on the occasion of the reenactment of the first Borough Council meeting.



50th ANNIVERSARY QUEEN, Leslie Leventman, greets Fair Lawnites along the parade route on Memorial Day. Flanking her are Princesses Amy and Melissa Miller.



50th ANNIVERSARY CHAIRMAN, E. JOHN GOTTLIEB addresses the audience at the performance of the West Point Band in May, 1974, in observance of our borough's 50th Anniversary.



THE COMMUNITY SCHOOL was among the representatives of education, business, industry, government and clubs of Fair Lawn which participated in the Community Exposition in early May.

50th Anniversary Farm

When Fair Lawn embarked on its 50th Anniversary year, two youth groups — the 4-H Camping Cavies and Boy Scout Troop 240, decided to set up a farm, reminiscent of the 1920's, in order to grow all the ingredients for the giant anniversary cake that would be baked later in the year and served as dessert at the anniversary ball.

A tract of land on Fair Lawn Avenue was donated to the young farmers. The project then took off and grew by leaps and bounds to the point that a variety of livestock (chickens, pigs, sheep, horses, a cow, rabbits, etc.) added to the general farm-like atmosphere.

All summer long youngsters from the community came out to tend to the chores at the farm, just like the young people of Fair Lawn had done 50 years ago.

The project afforded the youth of the community an opportunity to gain first-hand experience about the life of our early town fathers.

It also enabled them to participate, in a meaningful way, in the 50th Anniversary celebration.

Throughout the summer, hundreds of borough residents visited the 50th Anniversary Farm each week. It was a fine example of history coming alive.



Fifty-Year Club

Joining Fair Lawn's 50th Anniversary in a very special way is that elite group of residents who have lived in the borough for 50 or more years. They're all members of Fair Lawn's Fifty-Year Club and we accord them special honors.

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| <p>MR. & MRS. JOHN E. ATTA
John—1913
Catherine—1920</p> <p>MILDRED J. BEEKHUYSEN—1924</p> <p>FLORENCE BEMBRIDGE—1910</p> <p>MR. & MRS. EDWARD A. BENDER
Mrs.—1903
Mr.—1924</p> <p>MR. & MRS. LLOYD (LISLE)
BERRIDGE—1919</p> <p>MR. & MRS. MORRIS BLENDER—1919</p> <p>MRS. ALEXANDER BLOTE—1923</p> <p>GLADYS BORDUIN—1922</p> <p>MR. & MRS. THEODORE BRAND—1907</p> <p>HARRY BRANDES—1920</p> <p>MRS. HARRY BRANDES—1911</p> <p>RICHARD BRANDES—1920</p> <p>MR. & MRS. THOMAS BRISTOL, SR.
—1924</p> <p>GEORGE BUNTZEN</p> <p>ARTHUR BURKE—1895</p> <p>HARRY BUSH—1913</p> <p>MRS. LOUISE GUIDI BUTERA—1918</p> <p>MRS. ALFRED H. CHESNEY—1918</p> <p>ELSIE CLARK—1924</p> <p>GEORGE CLAUSS—1919</p> <p>GRACE CLAUSS—1920</p> <p>JOHN CLAUSS, JR.—1921</p> <p>JOHN CLAUSS, SR.—1914</p> <p>DAVID COLPAERT—1914</p> <p>JOHN COSGROVE—1919</p> <p>FLORENCE & PERC CROUCHER—1919</p> <p>MRS. ALBERT DAPP—1912</p> <p>DANIEL DE BLOCK—1920</p> <p>MRS. FLORENCE DE BLOCK—1923</p> <p>MR. & MRS. BENJAMIN DE BRULYE
& LENA—1923</p> <p>MICHAEL DEHAUSKIE—1922</p> <p>EUGENE DELMOTTE</p> <p>MRS. EUGENE DELMOTTE</p> <p>MRS. KATHRYN DE KEZEL—1923
& MISS KATHRYN</p> <p>CORNELIUS DE RITTER—1912</p> <p>MRS. C. DE VRIEZE</p> <p>C. DE VRIEZE</p> <p>CHARLES & MARGARET DE VUYST
1904</p> <p>WELLIE DE VUYST—1903</p> <p>PAUL DIETCH—1921</p> <p>ROBERT DIETCH</p> | <p>MRS. ELLA POST DUNNING</p> <p>MRS. M. EISELE</p> <p>MISS CAROLINE M. FISCHER—1908</p> <p>THOMAS FALINE</p> <p>ANDREW J. FOX—1920</p> <p>ANNA M. FOX—1918</p> <p>HENRY W. FOX</p> <p>MRS. ELSA MARTENS GAUTSCHY
—1920</p> <p>E. F. GIERISCH—1920</p> <p>JOSEPH GIERISCH—1920</p> <p>MRS. AGNES D. GRAHAM—1915</p> <p>FREDERICK C. GRUNSTRA—1922</p> <p>HAAS, A.—1921</p> <p>MRS. A. HAAS</p> <p>ADELAIDE HELLAWELL—1920</p> <p>CHARLES HERMAN—1923</p> <p>FRANK HOFFNER, JR.—1908</p> <p>JOHN & ELLA HOFFNER—1910</p> <p>JENNIE JOSTEN—1911</p> <p>EDWARD KIMBALL—1912</p> <p>JOHN KIMBALL—1919</p> <p>LEONARD KNAPP—1913</p> <p>MRS. LULU A. KREIGER—1923</p> <p>GARRY KREMERS—1908</p> <p>MRS. LENA KREMERS—1922</p> <p>JOHN J. KRIESMER—1923</p> <p>E. H. KUIKEN</p> <p>EDWARD N. KUIKEN—1917</p> <p>MRS. EDWARD KUIKEN—1915</p> <p>EVAN KUIKEN—1924</p> <p>MISS JENNIE KUIKEN—1918</p> <p>N. H. KUIKEN—1919</p> <p>NELLIE A. KUIKEN—1916</p> <p>RICHARD R. KUIKEN, JR.—1920</p> <p>MRS. TILLIE KUIKEN—1895</p> <p>TIMOTHY KUIKEN—1908</p> <p>ALMIRA LAGROSA—1921</p> <p>JOHN J. LAGROSA—1913</p> <p>STEVE LAGROSA—1904</p> <p>WALTER LANDZETTEL—1920</p> <p>VIRGINIA LEMBO—1923</p> <p>MRS. MICHAEL LESKO—1914</p> <p>IRVING LEVENSTEIN—1912</p> <p>MRS. EDWARD LOZZI—1924</p> <p>EDWARD LOZZI</p> <p>ROY MARSHALL—1918</p> <p>WILLIAM MARSHALL—1916</p> | <p>MRS. CATHERINE MICHALSKI—1914</p> <p>HENRY MICHALSKI—1922</p> <p>JOSEPH MICHALSKI—1920</p> <p>MICHAEL MICHALSKI—1917</p> <p>VICTOR MICHALSKI—1918</p> <p>MRS. JOHN MINNEMA—1917</p> <p>MELVIN J. NAUGLE—1916</p> <p>AMERIGO PETRECCA—1923</p> <p>FRANK PIELAET—1924</p> <p>MRS. EMMA POTVIN—1894</p> <p>JULIE REINER—1920</p> <p>MRS. LOUIS RISACHER—1923</p> <p>HELEN SCHAFFER—1922</p> <p>MRS. ROSALIE SCHWARTZ—1912</p> <p>MRS. JENNIE SLUMP—1913</p> <p>RALPH SLUMP—1913</p> <p>MRS. J. W. SPIKEBOER—1910</p> <p>J. W. SPIKEBOER—1922</p> <p>RUTH SPIKEBOER—1924</p> <p>MINNIE & PETER STAPER—1922</p> <p>FRANKLIN STEPHENSON—1912</p> <p>JOHN STEPHENSON—1909</p> <p>MRS. JOHN STEPHENSON—1912</p> <p>P. STEPHENSON—1890</p> <p>MRS. P. STEPHENSON</p> <p>MRS. JEAN E. SUNDERMEYER—1911</p> <p>HAROLD TAYLOR—1923</p> <p>JAMES TAYLOR—1923</p> <p>MRS. ANNA TINTLE—1924</p> <p>WILLIAM TOEPFER—1895</p> <p>MISS LOUISE TOEPFER—1897</p> <p>JACOB TRAAS—1924</p> <p>WILLIAM TRAAS, JR.—1924</p> <p>MILDRED LAGROSA TYRRELL—1921</p> <p>MARIE VAN DAM—1922</p> <p>ALIEDA VAN DE GIESEN—1923</p> <p>PETER VAN DE MOERE—1888</p> <p>MRS. PETER VAN DE MOERE</p> <p>VICTOR VAN DE MOERE—1919</p> <p>DORIE VAN DE WALLE—1913</p> <p>NICHOLAS VANORE—1915</p> <p>MRS. DOROTHY VAN'T SLOT—1912</p> <p>MRS. D. VER VOORN—1913</p> <p>PETER J. VOSS, SR.</p> <p>PETER J. VOSS—1912</p> <p>TICE YOUNGSMAN—1904</p> <p>MRS. T. YOUNGSMAN</p> |
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Municipal Services

A Salute To The Mayors and Councilmen

Throughout its 50 year history, Fair Lawn has been fortunate to have had men and women concerned enough to step forward and serve the community as members of the Borough Council and as Mayor.

These citizens have served as an example of the finest in community service. They deserve the gratitude of every resident of Fair Lawn.

From the establishment of the Borough of Fair Lawn in 1924 until the government changed to the Council-Manager form in 1948, Fair Lawn was headed by a Mayor and Council composed of six members, all elected by the citizens.

FROM 1924 TO 1948

The following men held the position of Mayor:

Robert A. Smith, 1924 - 30
Nicholas A. Kuiken, 1931 - 36
Thomas P. Knott, 1937 - 38
Theodore K. Ferry, 1939 - 46
H. Charles Yerger, Jr., 1947 - 48

The following were elected to serve on the Borough Council:

William M. Croucher, Jr., 1924 - 30
Richard Shortway, 1924 - 29
Andrew E. Fox, 1924 - 26
James N. Hyslop, 1924 - 28
Garret Houtsma, 1924 - 30
William F. Hill, 1924
Harry Jones, 1925 - 31
Charles C. Vogel, 1927 - 32
Nicholas A. Kuiken, 1929 - 30
Roy L. Stagg, 1930 - 32
George W. Maines, 1931 - 36
A. Roger Chappelka, 1931
George Merrick, 1931 - 34
John G. Terrill, 1932 - 35
Thomas P. Knott, 1932 - 36
Nicholas A. Postma, 1933 - 35
Gottfried Gentner, 1933 - 35
James Reid Holmes, 1935 - 37
Charles F. Bender, Jr., 1936 - 39
Louis Risacher, 1936 - 38
Charles W. Zabriskie, 1936 - 38
Albert Paulhus, 1937 - 39
John J. Kriesmer, 1938 - 46
John H. Schweizer, 1938 - 46
Ray Hedman, 1939 - 47
Jacob B. Schultz, Jr., 1939 - 47
Ernest Burke, 1940 - 45
Gilbert H. Hale, 1940 - 48
Fred T. Sperber, 1946 - 48
Robert W. Bouse, 1947 - 48
Jerome L. Boyer, 1947 - 48
Kathryn L. Lyle, 1948
Frank Sogorka, 1948
John K. Pollitt, 1948

When the referendum for the Council-Manager form of government was approved in 1948, an election was held and five candidates were chosen by the voting public to fill the council seats. The mayor was elected by the Borough Council from its membership.

FROM 1948 TO 1974

The following men held the position of Mayor:

John K. Pollitt, 1948 - 52
Elden Shonka, 1953
Frank Sogorka, 1954 and 1957
George E. Richardson, 1955
Joseph Matule, 1956
Richard J. Vander Plaat, 1959 - 68
C. Gus Rys, 1969
Andrew J. Fox, Jr., 1970
Nat Sprechman, 1971
Nicholas R. Felice, 1972
Robert Landzettel, 1973 (incumbent)

The following were elected to serve on the Borough Council:

H. Charles Yerger, Jr., 1949 - 51
Elden M. Shonka, 1948 - 52 and 1956 - 59
Paul W. Hardy, 1949 - 52
Henry Kollesch, 1948 - 52
Ethan A. Ackerman, 1952 - 54
George E. Richardson, 1953 - 54
Frank Sogorka, 1953, 1955 - 56, 1958
Julian L. Bornstein, 1954 - 56
Joseph Matule, 1954 - 55, 1957 - 58
Richard J. Vander Plaat, 1955 - 57
Oscar W. Schmidt, 1957 - 59
Frank J. Finn, 1958 - 63
C. Gus Rys, 1959 - 68
Raymond H. Wilkens, 1960 - 65
Michael A. Canger, Jr., 1960 - 63
Joseph E. Filippone, 1964
Andrew J. Fox, Jr., 1964 (incumbent)
James E. Broderick, 1965 - 67
Nat Sprechman, 1966 (incumbent)
Nicholas R. Felice, 1968 (incumbent)
E. John Gottlieb, 1971 - 73
Robert Landzettel, 1972 (incumbent)
John Cosgrove, 1973 (incumbent)

Borough Council



THE OFFICIAL FAMILY - 1974. (From left): Councilman John Cosgrove, Councilman Nat Sprechman, Borough Attorney Meyer Sugarman, Mayor Robert Landzettel, Borough Clerk Donald De Bruin, Deputy Mayor Nicholas R. Felice, Borough Manager George Pellack and Councilman Andrew Fox.

Fair Lawn is governed by a five member Borough Council assisted by an appointed Borough Manager, his professional staff, and appointed boards of residents.

Under the provisions of Faulkner Act Plan "E", selected as our community's form of government via a 1973 referendum, the councilmen are elected at large and serve overlapping terms. Excepting 1974, the first year of Plan "E" government when all five members of the Council will be elected en masse, three councilmen are elected in one year, then, two years later, two are elected.

Each councilman serves a four year term. Fair Lawn's Mayor is elected by Council members for a one year term.

As the governing body of the borough, the Council is responsible for establishing the policies, and ordinances and supervising the operations of borough departments through the chief administrator, the Borough Manager.

Within the framework of appropriate statutes and laws of the State of New Jersey, the Council appoints the

following personnel: Assessor, Auditor, Attorney, Clerk, Manager, Magistrate, Treasurer and members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The Mayor appoints members of the Planning and Library Boards.

Although many important duties are delegated to these professional and resident-volunteer appointees by Ordinance and State Law, members of the Borough Council, as the elected representatives of the voters, retain overall responsibility for the governmental affairs of the borough.

However, while retaining these responsibilities, the Mayor and Council, must, by statute, avoid concerning themselves with detailed and routine matters which, within the framework of the policies they establish and announce, are the duties of the Manager, his department heads and the appropriate officials of the Borough. In sum, while the Council must be concerned with policy and results, the elected officials must avoid detailed operations.

The duties, responsibilities and authorities of those persons and officers reporting to or appointed by the Borough Council are established by ordinance, resolution statutes and other actions of the Council.

The Council also requires the chief administrative officer, the Borough Manager, to establish the policies, organization structure, duties and responsibilities of those department heads reporting to him as well as their major subordinates. In turn, the manager submits such written policies to the Borough Council for concurrence and approval. Revisions and modifications to these are reviewed and submitted to the Council at least annually, and at such other times as significant changes are necessary.

A major responsibility of the Borough Council is for

the fiscal and financial policies of the Borough and the raising of revenues required by the Borough to include the adoption of an annual budget which includes appropriations required by State law. The Borough Council also approves all disbursements and expenditures at public meetings of Borough funds other than those of the Board of Education.

The Borough Council meets in public session on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, except July and August, at 8 p.m. in the Municipal Building located on Fair Lawn Avenue. In addition to conducting public business, each meeting includes a public hearing during which time any resident may address the council on any subject relevant to the borough of Fair Lawn.

Borough Officials Advance to Higher Office

Of all those who have served on the Fair Lawn Borough Council during the past 50 years, four have gone on to higher elective office, either on the County or State level.

The late Nicholas Kuiken, who served as mayor from 1931 to 1936 was subsequently elected to the Bergen County Board of Freeholders where he served for 3 terms of office.

In 1952, John K. Pollitt, after having served four consecutive years as Mayor, was appointed to an unexpired term on the Bergen County Board of Freeholders. In 1953 he was elected to the first of three 3-years terms of office in the county Board. In all, Mr. Pollitt served for 10 consecutive years on the Board of Freeholders and for one of these terms he was Director of the Board.

Richard J. Vander Plaats, this year, marks his 20th year as a public servant. He was first elected to the Fair Lawn Borough Council in 1954 for a three-year term. In 1958 he ran for reelection to the Borough Council and served from that year until 1969 as Fair Lawn's mayor.

He served as mayor longer than any other person during Fair Lawn's history. Mr. Vander Plaats continued to serve on the Borough Council until 1970. He was also elected to the N. J. State Assembly in 1964 for a two-year term and in 1968 was returned to the Assembly by the electorate. In July, 1971, Mr. Vander Plaats resigned as State Assemblyman to accept an appointment to a three-year term as N. J. Commissioner of Waterfront, Commission of the New York Harbor.

C. Gus Rys's service to the Borough of Fair Lawn spanned the years from 1958 to 1971 when he served on the Borough Council. For six of those years he was Mayor or Deputy Mayor, under Fair Lawn's present Council-Manager form of government. Mr. Rys was elected to the N. J. State Assembly in 1971 and in 1973 he was reelected to the second term of office in which he currently serves.

Mr. Pollitt, Mr. Vander Plaats and Mr. Rys, all long-time residents of Fair Lawn, feel a strong sense of pride in their community and agree that their years of public service have been very rewarding.



FORMER MAYORS of Fair Lawn who went to government service on the county and state levels are (from left): Richard J. Vander Plaats, John Pollitt and C. Gus Rys.

Borough Manager

The Borough Manager is the chief executive and administrative official of the Borough of Fair Lawn, acting under the direction and supervision of the Borough Council. As such, the manager is charged with the supervision of the borough's administrative agencies and departments and the carrying out of all policies, laws and ordinances relating to the conduct of borough affairs.

Appointed by the Borough Council, the manager is a full time employee of the borough. Since 1960, George R. Pellack has been the Borough Manager.

A key duty of the Borough Manager is, within the framework of applicable laws and regulations, the recruitment, appointment or removal of borough employees staffing various departments. The manager is also responsible for the preparation and presentation of salary guides for these employees to the Borough Council. Personnel matters are normally undertaken by the Manager only after discussion with the proper department head.

The purchasing of goods and services used by the borough is another duty of the manager. All requisitions for purchases originate with individual departments and are processed by the manager's office. And, all invoices received from suppliers are checked in the manager's office, approved or disapproved, and presented at the next Council meeting so that disbursements may be authorized by the Council.

Public relations and information is another function of the manager. All inquiries and requests for information from the public are either answered directly or referred to reporting departments. By also dealing with complaints and recommendations the Manager relieves the Council of routine matters while referring only those

items to the Council that warrant or require special attention.

Press releases and public statements are normally issued as required to inform citizens of Fair Lawn of public policies and actions. These frequently take the form of manager's reports available to the public and press at meetings of the borough council.

As the chief administrative officer of the borough, the manager coordinates and supervises departmental activities falling under his jurisdiction such as police, department of public works, health, recreation.

In addition to daily working contacts with these departments, the manager receives regular monthly reports informing him of the nature, scope and progress of work during the month.

Much of this information is reported to the Borough Council to keep these elected officials informed of work performed. The manager is also empowered to recommend the adoption of such measures necessary for the borough welfare and municipal improvements.

Once each year, the manager compiles and submits a tentative annual budget to the Council, and, at the close of each year, he must make a report of his work for the benefit of the Council and public. Included is a detailed list of major capital improvements considered necessary or desirable during the succeeding five years for the consideration of the Council in planning future undertakings.

The manager is also responsible for the execution of all the laws and ordinances of the borough; the negotiation of contracts; the execution of the municipal budget and coordination with the Planning Board in establishing plans for the future development of the borough.



BOROUGH MANAGER'S OFFICE. Seated (from left): George Pellack, Borough Manager and Jean T. Jacks, Administrative Secretary. Standing: Phoebe Adriance, Switch Board Operator and Dorothy Lewis, Principal Clerk Stenographer. Not present for photo: Virginia Kemp, Accounting Clerk.



BOROUGH CLERK AND TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE. From left: Edna Petruska, Principal Account Clerk; Marie Gorman, Bookkeeping Machine Operator; Ann Ruffilo, Cashier; Carole Barclay, Stenographer; Kathy Loscalzo, Clerk; Donald DeBruin, Borough Clerk; Sadie De Jong, Cashier; Mary DeLorenzo, Cashier and Dorothy Graef, Assistant Borough Clerk.

Borough Clerk

As the custodian of public records, the Borough Clerk and his staff have custody of all records, books, contracts, ordinances and other official papers and correspondence of the Borough of Fair Lawn.

Such records are available for inspection to Borough personnel and the public. By borough ordinance, the Borough Clerk can furnish certified copies of documents in his custody under the corporate seal of the borough.

The Clerk also serves as clerk of the borough council. In addition to recording the proceedings of the council and maintaining records of the meetings, he is charged with maintaining the council's records and files, handling its correspondence, keeping records of all ordinances and publishing them and other duties to expedite the work of these elected officials.

Voter registration and supervision of elections are part of the clerk's responsibilities as are taking and administering all oaths and affirmations required by law in borough matters.

The Clerk's administrative duties also include the processing of all bids for municipal contracts and ascertaining that all applications to the borough are correct with respect to legal requirements.

Fishing, liquor, taxi, dry cleaning, launderette, gas pump, installation of gas tanks, auctioneer, sale of paint or chemicals, bowling alley, amusement machine and other licenses are issued by the clerk's office.

The billing and collection of property and water taxes are supervised by the Clerk together with notification and collection of special assessments.

Building Department

To the average resident of Fair Lawn, the reason and need of obtaining a Building Permit, for making an alteration to their home, garage, etc. is not clear.

Instituted in 1924 by the Borough Council, the Building Department operates under the 1967 National Building Code and Borough Ordinance 569 adopted in 1954.

The purpose of the Code and Ordinance is to provide for safety, health and public welfare through structural strength and stability, means of egress, adequate light and ventilation and protection to life and property from fire and hazards incident to the design, construction, alteration, removal, or demolition of buildings and structures.

Jobs for which building permits are required include all new construction which includes dwellings, commercial, professional and industrial structures; all structural additions to add living space, open and close porches, dormers, car ports and decks above the first floor, all industrial, commercial and professional structures increasing operating space; reroofing and residing to include brick veneering and aluminum siding; alterations such as replacing doors and windows involving

physical changes in dimensions or design, removing a wall or other interior structural alterations, installing interior partitioning of rooms, fireplaces and chimneys and completing or finishing unfinished room area or basement; all new above or below ground swimming pools; all signs; the demolition of any structure; all residential garages and other accessory buildings such as tool sheds, pool cabanas, etc. and central air conditioning systems of two ton capacity or over.

During 1973, the Building Department issued the following number and types of permits: 71 zoning applications, 882 building permits, 49 sign permits, 530 swimming pool licenses, 55 swimming pool construction permits and 248 certificates of reoccupancy. These resulted in an accumulative valuation of \$4,461,288.; an increase of \$1,211,214. over the previous year.

Work for which a building permit is not required includes driveways; concrete or masonry patios below or at first floor level; repairing or replacing curbs or sidewalks; and masonry or cinder block steps and landings.

Cases involving denial or building permit or requests for exceptions to existing statutes are referred to the Municipal Zoning Board of Adjustment.



BUILDING DEPARTMENT. (from left): Frank H. Smith, Building Inspector and Archie Aitchison, Assistant Building Inspector.



MUNICIPAL COURT AND LEGAL DEPARTMENT. Seated: Judge Morris Dobrin, Standing (from left): Eileen S. Purcell, Assistant Violations Clerk; Justin Leonard, Court Clerk and Violations Clerk; Ann Pello, Secretary to the Legal Department and Dennis LaHiff, Borough Prosecutor. Not present for photo: Meyer Sugarman, Borough Attorney and Robert L. Garabaldi, Legal Assistant.

Court and Law Department

The Municipal Court of Fair Lawn is in session bi-weekly on Wednesday evenings and Friday afternoons in the Borough Hall on Fair Lawn Avenue. An estimated 1,500 to 2,000 trials on traffic offenses and ordinance violations are heard annually. Several thousand other actions are processed each year which involve no court appearance or referral to the Bergen County Grand Jury.

Individual cases are presented for adjudication to the Judge by the Borough Prosecutor. Only the Judge can arraign and set bail in indictable cases; and, although any police officer or citizen can sign a summons, only the Judge or Court Clerk can sign an arrest warrant.

All of the specialized preparation and clerical work together with the actual administration of the Municipal Court is performed by the Court Clerk who in Fair Lawn is also the Violations Clerk. It is the duty of the Court Clerk to analyze all facts and statements, to determine whether any laws or ordinances within the local court's jurisdiction have been violated, whether the proper ordinance or statute has been cited in the complaint and whether a formal or informal complaint will best serve the circumstances.

The Court Clerk drafts and prepares complaints,

takes oaths, attests to court writs, processes, commitments, discharges, issues bench warrants and subpoenas, prepares the court calendar, arranges for any special court sessions, assists the Judge in the arraignments of defendants, calls witnesses, grants adjournments, coordinates the defendants, witnesses, complaints and attorneys involved in a specific case and disburses to the County, State and the borough all fines, costs and bail monies collected by the court. He is also charged with the maintenance of court records, correspondence and decorum in the court room.

One of the Court Clerk's key duties is the operation and supervision of the court recording machine which tapes the entire court session. These tapes are used as the official source for a transcript of the proceedings, should an appeal be taken.

The Law Department is supervised by the Borough Attorney who is the chief legal advisor to the Borough Council and Borough Manager. He prepares all ordinances, regulations, resolutions, contracts and other legal documents and papers for Fair Lawn, while also appearing as attorney of record for the borough in all actions or proceedings in which it may be or become involved.



FINANCE DEPARTMENT. Seated: Francis Smith, Principal Account Clerk-Typing. Standing (from left): Joyce Ver Voorn, Principal Bookkeeping Machine Operator-Typing; Mattie Testin, Bookkeeping Machine Operator; Revena Marcus, Principal Clerk Bookkeeper-Typing and A. P. Van Hoorn, Borough Treasurer.

Finance Department

The Finance Department falls under the direct supervision of the Borough Treasurer, appointed by the Borough Council, and is directly responsible as the custodian and disbursing officer of Borough funds.

In addition to all other duties required by law and those delegated to him by the Borough Council, the Treasurer is charged with recommending and developing the financial policy of Fair Lawn after consultation with the Borough Manager. The policies are submitted to the Council for adoption and/or modification.

A little known aspect of the Treasurer's duties is the investment of cash funds into short term securities through local banking institutions. The amount earned

by these otherwise idle funds has amounted to several hundred thousand dollars per annum in recent years. Since 1961, well over \$1 million has been realized through these investments.

Other duties of the Finance Department and Treasurer include account records, the preparation of financial reports for the Council, all disbursements of Borough funds after Council authorization, statistics, forecasts, the formulation of payroll procedures and records requirements to include bookkeeping and reconciliations.

The Treasurer is also the custodian of all notes and bonds issued by the Borough, and must approve, before commitment, all Borough contracts having financial, auditing, or accounting procedures.

Department of Public Works



Department of Public Works Employees

The maintenance of Fair Lawn's public buildings and grounds, parks and playgrounds, roads and shade trees, and operation of its sewer and water services are the responsibility of the Department of Public Works.

Consolidated into one department in 1960, the DPW is headed by a Superintendent who reports to the Borough Manager. Assisting the Superintendent of Public Works are an office staff and Assistant Engineer.

Buildings and Grounds Department

The interior and exterior maintenance of all public buildings, excepting those operated by the Board of Education, is performed by this department. Custodial services and repair are performed on the Municipal Building, Library, Arts Center, Youth Canteen and other borough-owned structures.

Parks and Playgrounds Department

Maintenance of Fair Lawn's parks, playgrounds, three pools and bird sanctuary (the 4H tract) is the responsibility of the Parks and Playgrounds Department. Exterior work, which includes grass cutting, landscaping and snow removal is also performed on all borough properties which includes buildings, city-owned lots playing fields and school paths. Playground and picnic area equipment installation and maintenance is also the responsibility of Parks and Playgrounds.

To meet the workload demands during the spring and summer, the Borough also employs students to aid the full-time staff. The headquarters building and equipment for Parks and Playgrounds is located on the Memorial Pool area.

Road Department

A source of pride in our community is the street system. The borough's streets are kept in excellent repair by the Road Department. Headquartered at the

borough's Saddle River Road public works site, this department ensures that Fair Lawn's 100 plus miles of municipal streets are maintained year round and kept clear of leaves, snow and debris. The Road Department also clears local brooks and is authorized to perform emergency repairs on County and State roadways within borough limits and maintains storm drains.

Under the Road Department's jurisdiction, the Traffic Department installs and maintains Fair Lawn's street signs, traffic lights and paints road center and pedestrian crossing lines.

Connecting with the borough road system are 4.8 miles of State Highways (Routes 4 and 208) and 9.6 miles of County Roads (Fair Lawn, Lincoln, Maple, Midland and Morlot Avenues and Harristown, River, Saddle River and Wagaraw Roads). The maintenance of these roadways, to include snow removal, is performed by County and State agencies.

Sewer Department

Functioning under standards set by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency, effluent standards are rigidly maintained by three shifts of workers who operate the Sewer Department's treatment plant located off Saddle River Road. In addition, other shifts are kept on duty for the maintenance and repair of stoppages which may occur in Fair Lawn's 100 miles of sewer laterals and mains and several lift stations.

Half of our community's effluent is treated by the borough plant with the remainder being processed by the Passaic Valley Sewage Commission.

Shade Tree Department

Since the 1930's most private homes and multiple dwelling units have had borough-supplied trees planted and maintained by the Shade Tree Department. Since

1956 builders of new housing have been required by borough ordinance to furnish trees at 35 to 50 foot intervals along the street.

Until 1974, sycamore (button ball) and Norway maple trees were the types most commonly planted. Under a new ordinance passed earlier this year, however, Shade Tree may also plant Schwedler Maple, Red Maple, Pine Oak, Callery Pear and Thornless Honeylocust Ash where deemed advisable by the Superintendent.

At present, an estimated 15,000 borough-owned trees line our community's streets. In addition to emergency removal of borough-owned trees and branches blocking streets and the removal of diseased borough-owned trees, the Shade Tree Department prunes and sprays these community trees to prevent interference with telephone and power lines and vehicular traffic. The Department will also cut tree roots that are raising sidewalk slabs. However, the resident must either raise the sidewalk slab or remove it before the Department makes the removal.

Water Department

Fair Lawn is supplied with water from three different sources: The Fair Lawn system, the Passaic Valley Water Commission and the Hackensack Water Company.

The Fair Lawn system consists of 17 deep artesian wells located throughout the community with a total capacity of three million gallons per day. Water is pumped from these wells to collecting reservoirs: the Cadmus Place facility with a storage capacity of one million gallons and a million and one-half gallon reservoir at Westmoreland.

Water is taken from the reservoirs by means of booster



DPW OFFICE STAFF. Seated: Rick Wajcs, Assistant Engineer. Standing, (from left): Eleanor Coles, Clerk; Carol Nakashian, Summer Intern and Viola Iannaccone, Secretary.

pumps located at adjacent pumping stations, and, in turn, pumped into the distribution system of two high elevated tanks, 300,000 gallons at Cadmus Place and one million gallons off Morlot Avenue, and through 100 plus miles of water mains.

There are over 1,200 fire hydrants in the Fair Lawn Water System and more than 9,500 water meters.



DPW FIELD SUPERVISORS. Seated: Leonard Knapp, Superintendent, DPW. Standing (from left): Frank Fuchs, Foreman, Water Distribution; Angelo Lavallo, Foreman, Sewage Department; William Hock, Foreman, Road Department; Bob Chevrier, Foreman, Parks and Playgrounds and James McFadyen, Foreman, Buildings and Grounds. Not present for photo: James Vanderbeck, Foreman, Shade Tree Department; Robert Whitford, Chief Operator, Water Plant and Donald Eelman, Chief Operator, Sewage Treatment Plant.

Engineering Department

The Engineering Department was established as a full time "in house" department in 1952 with the appointment of Frank E. Peruggi as Borough Engineer. Prior to that time, engineering services had been supplied by a series of consulting engineers on a contract or "fee" basis.

In its 22 years of existence, the Engineering Department has supplied complete Engineering Services on the expansion and maintenance of the Borough's various utilities systems. These services included preliminary planning, surveying and design, preparation of engineering contract plans and specifications, advertising for bids, stakeout and supervision of construction and certifying costs for special assessments. A summary of the work performed during the department's history includes:

- Construction of approximately 30 miles of complete roads, and expansion and completion of improvements in 25 additional miles of roads. Also a long term program of resurfacing all the Borough's 95 miles of road pavement.
- Expansion of the Water Supply System from a four million gallon per day capacity to its present 10 million gallons per day, including the construction of a one million gallon tank, a one and one-half million gallon tank, seven new deep wells, three booster pumping stations and support mains.
- Expansion of the Sanitary Sewer System from a two and one-half million gallon per day capacity to over four million gallons per day. The expansion

of the treatment plant was performed by consultants.

- Expansion of facilities for storm water drainage. This is a continuing program to enlarge our systems to handle the increased runoff caused by the development of vacant land.
- Construction of two municipal garages and various structures in our Park System. Also liaison with consultants in the construction of the Municipal Building, Library and Fire Houses.

During its history the Department has seen Fair Lawn grow from 23,000 to 40,000 population and has, in effect, supervised its growth by either constructing the necessary additional roads, sewers, drains and water mains or supervising the construction of some of these utilities by developers of homes.

The Engineer also serves as a member and Secretary of the Planning Board and thus adds another measure of control for the orderly growth of the Borough. Complete records of Planning Board actions and of the development of land in the Borough are maintained by the Department.

The Department maintains the Tax Assessment Maps of the Borough which serve as the Master Guide for all property transfers, assessments and building construction. It also maintains a complete record of filed subdivision maps, all sanitary sewers, water mains, storm drains and house connections. These maps are revised and kept current annually.



ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT. From left: Christine Glasstetter, Secretary; Frank E. Peruggi, Borough Engineer; Eugene Trafidlo, Engineering Assistant; Stephen Lossinsky, Principal Engineering Aide and William Goble, Assistant Engineer.



HEALTH DEPARTMENT. From left: Frank Brady, Health Officer; Edward Feldman, Assistant Sanitarian, Registrar of Vital Statistics, Plumbing Inspector and Oil Burner Inspector; Virginia Lembo, Registered Nurse; Trudy Schweitzer, Secretary and Oscar Haug, Chief Sanitarian.

Health Department

A wide variety of services, licensing procedures and inspections are performed by the Health Department to ensure the comfort and well-being of Fair Lawn residents.

These include the periodic inspection of all food establishments, milk trucks and food trucks operating in the borough together with their licensing. Since 1973, for example, all food handlers operating within the borough must pursue a special course of instruction at the Adult Education Center. About 450 inspections made in 1973 of retail food establishments, reflected a marked decrease in food handling discrepancies.

Other duties of the Health Department are the supervision of garbage collection and pest control; the investigation and enforcement of Borough Ordinances relating to apartment heating, noise complaints, weed control, dumping, air pollution, stream pollution, food poisoning and rodent control.

The Chief Sanitarian and Health Officer also

investigates major communicable disease cases in Fair Lawn and arranges for occasional inoculation clinics for rubella, measles, polio and other diseases.

Sanitary inspections, licensing and technical advice in the chemical control of all public swimming pools are the responsibility of the Health Department together with periodic sampling of swimming water for bacterial analysis.

The Health Department handles all dog licensing, complaints and supervises the Rabies Inoculation Clinic.

Reporting to the Health Department is the Registrar of Vital Statistics, Plumbing Inspector and Oil Burner Inspector of Fair Lawn. During 1973, 326 marriage licenses were issued together with 62 marriage transcripts, one birth certificate and 1,771 death transcripts together with 371 burial permits. Additionally, 360 plumbing and 39 oil burner inspections were performed.

Tax Assessor

Fair Lawn is primarily a residential community, and the majority of its citizens live in single family dwellings. There are approximately 9,607 homes in Fair Lawn, 246 commercial buildings, 63 industrial structures and 1,400 apartment units.

While there is no public housing in the borough, a number of plans and locations are being considered for senior citizen housing.

Fair Lawn has no slum or blighted areas and almost no deteriorated housing. Older homes have been kept in good repair reflecting the pride of ownership and neighborhood by the vast majority of residents.

Under current statutes, the monies for operating our schools and municipal services stem primarily from property taxes. The principal function of the Assessor's office is the appraisal and evaluation of all land and building and personal property in the municipality under existing State laws.

It is the Tax Assessor who prepares all tax rolls annually for submission to the Collector and the Bergen County Board of Taxation. He also apportions County, school and municipal budgets to all local taxpayers. In

1974, these budgets amounted to over \$15,000,000.

The Assessor maintains a record of all property transfers to indicate current ownership. He also checks on building permits issued to maintain current values by preparing added assessment rolls on new buildings and alterations completed during the tax year which, in turn, contributes additional revenue to the municipality.

Applications for veterans and senior citizen deductions and total exemptions for churches, synagogues, schools, veterans organizations and other non-profit organizations are processed by this office. The Tax Assessor also acts as Special Assessment Commissioner and apportions the cost for local improvements such as water mains, sewers, paving, curbs and sidewalks.

Other duties include the preparation of forms for the use of the State Division of Taxation to construct Equalization Tables for the distribution of state aid to Fair Lawn for school purposes; protection of the municipality to ensure we are not paying an unfair share of County taxes and representing the Borough in all tax appeals before the Bergen County Board of Taxation and state appeals before the State Division of Taxation.



TAX ASSESSOR. From left: Edith Kamerling, Senior Assessing Clerk; Edward McKenna, Assessor; Eileen Gallagher, Principal Assessing Clerk and Fred Wajcs, Clerk to the Borough Manager. Not present for photo: Eve Rosenberg, Principal Addressograph Operator.



RECREATION DEPARTMENT. From left: Marjorie Bueschen, Senior Clerk-Stenographer; Gregory Storozuk, Assistant Superintendent; Rolf Hempel, Superintendent and Ruth Schmidt, Principal Clerk-Stenographer. Not present for photo: Rick Ullrich, Recreation Supervisor.

Recreation Department

The Fair Lawn Recreation Department has, since its inception, provided the residents of our Borough with a wide variety of athletic, physical, general and cultural activities. Well over 100 programs are provided annually for the youth, youth and adult, adult and senior citizens of Fair Lawn.

During 1973, one of every two Borough residents participated in Recreation Department activities. Of the over 20,000 different registered participants, 54 percent were adult.

To operate a program of this magnitude requires a staff of over 320 part time paid and 500 volunteer leaders to satisfactorily keep the differing facets in coordinated motion. The full time paid staff consisting of three directors and two clerical personnel has not changed in numbers during the last 15 years despite the large increase in projects.

The greatest number of the nearly 500 volunteer leaders are in the 13 All-Sports and All-Sports Auxiliary programs, but there are also a considerable number of volunteer workers in the various Holiday Celebrations Committee programs, the Junior Staff leaders on the Summer Playgrounds, and in such programs as the Miss Fair Lawn Contest, the Federated Arts Council, annual Arts Festival and the many activities such as the Coin Club, Rocket Club, Stamp Club, Table Tennis Club, Camera Club, Old Library Theatre, Radio Club, Soccer Programs, Senior Citizens, Art Association and many others which operate on a club officer basis without paid personnel.

Volunteers play a large role in the success of the total recreation program.

Also under Recreation Department auspices are:

The Arts Center on River Road where many clubs meet, Art Association classes take place and the Old Library Theatre conducts its activities.

The Youth Center located on Kipp Street is a modern teenage oriented facility with a gymnasium open six days a week under adult supervision.

Memorial Pool and Walsh Pool, the latter in the Columbia Heights section of Fair Lawn, are June to September attractions for Borough residents. Minimum season's membership fees cover seven days a week admission.

Fourteen playground areas and two day camps feature a complete program of games, athletics, and handicrafts for school age children during June through August.

Tennis courts situated in four different sections of Fair Lawn.

The All-Sports Association which supervises competitive sports activities for youth during every season of the year. Baseball, basketball, lacrosse, soccer, girl's softball, and a number of other sport activities are offered.

The Holiday Celebrations Committee arranges parades, parties, contests, dances and other activities for Memorial Day, Independence Day, Columbus Day, Halloween and Christmas.

The Federated Arts Council promotes all art forms. It sponsors an annual Festival of the Arts and supervises a series of summer concerts.



PLANNING BOARD. Seated (from left): Christine Glasstetter, Clerk; E. Donald Gil, Chairman and Norman S. Brown, Vice Chairman. Standing: Dennis J. Cummins, Jr., Attorney; Justin Mahon; Sidney Morgan; Ned Goldblatt; Frank J. Drahouzal and Frank Peruggi, Board Secretary and Borough Engineer. Not present for photo: Andrew H. Fox, Borough Council representative and Mayor Robert W. Landzettel.

Planning Board

The balanced growth of Fair Lawn as a residential suburban community of 40,000 residents has been largely due to the efforts of those citizens who have volunteered their time and talents as members of the Planning Board.

Notwithstanding our community's fast paced growth following World War II, the orderly development of the borough along well thought out lines was maintained despite Fair Lawn being cited as the fastest growing community in the entire nation in the late 1940's. From a population of 9,065 in 1940, Fair Lawn had 28,885 residents by 1950.

The land use policies of Fair Lawn were carefully drafted years ago to insure the balanced development of one family homes, two family homes, garden type apartments, and commercial and industrial areas.

The Planning Board is composed of nine members, the Mayor and eight persons appointed by the Mayor, who have a three-fold function. First, the board plans for the orderly future growth of Fair Lawn by the preparation of a Master Plan, which is essentially a blueprint for the ultimate development of the borough. Second, the Planning Board is responsible for the development of Zoning Ordinances and Zoning Maps which set up the districts and specifications of land use in the borough. Finally, the Board reviews all applications

for subdivision of property, and for commercial, industrial and public construction, thus monitoring the actual physical growth of our community to ensure that the growth stays within the guidelines established by the Master Plan. Thus, it both plans and controls the orderly growth and development of Fair Lawn.

Today, Fair Lawn encompasses approximately 3,400 acres of land excluding parks and municipal and school properties. Within residential zones, we have 2,598 acres in lot sizes under one-half acre, 250 acres of over one acre in size, 52 acres zoned for two family homes and 57 acres zoned for garden apartments. We have 287 acres of land zoned for industrial use and 156 acres for commercial purposes.

Due to Fair Lawn's constant development, vacant land has decreased to the extent that there are few scattered lots left in our residential zones and 57 acres of land remaining in our industrial zones.

Because of careful planning, by the early 1970's, Fair Lawn enjoyed a very satisfactory land cost plateau whereby a lot 65 by 100 feet in a residential zone was worth between \$12,000 to \$16,000 and an acre \$25,000 to \$30,000. An acre of land in the industrial zones during the same period was priced between \$50,000 and \$80,000.



ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. Seated (from left): Edward Ehler, Thomas Marshall, chairman and Louis Miceli. Standing (from left): Frank Lieb, Nicholas Cofrancesco, Willard Wilson, Jr., John Conte and Joseph Sproviere, board attorney.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

New Jersey State statutes authorize any municipality to establish a Zoning Board of Adjustment. The Board operates under local ordinances which limit or restrict buildings and structures to specified districts, their construction, their natures and extent of their use.

The basic function of a Zoning Board is to hear and decide appeals from the decisions of municipal administrative officials such as the Fair Lawn building inspector who is charged with the strict enforcement of all Borough zoning laws.

The grounds for exercising this function of the Zoning Board consists of hearing the appeal requiring special exemption; denying the appeal or authorizing the variance from strict adherence to the zoning ordinance; recommending approval to the Borough Council in the case of use variances or continuing any non-conforming building or use.

The Borough Council may approve or disapprove the recommendations of the Zoning Board only on use variances.

Normally, the Zoning Board works very closely with the Building Inspector in the administration of zoning matters. The opinion, facts, investigations and recommendations of this borough official must be carefully considered by the Board.

For effective administration and operations, the Zoning Board must also work closely with the Planning Board. The latter, while independent of the Zoning Board, must plan, consider and vote on any ordinance or amendment thereto, and the Zoning Board must interpret and enforce such ordinances.

The Fair Lawn Zoning Board consists of five members and two alternates, each appointed by Mayor and Council for three year terms on a staggered basis, and Board Attorney appointed for one year term. Appointments are made each year effective January 1 to expire December 31 of the third year. Public meetings of the Zoning Board of Adjustment are held on the first Monday of each month in the Municipal Building. The Board's actions are published in newspaper legal sections and posted on the official municipal bulletin board in the borough hall.



YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE. First row (from left): Archie W. Aitchison, President and Virginia D. Edwards, Secretary. Second row: Eric Koenig, FLHS student member; Robert Winick, FLHS student member and Nicholas R. Felice, Borough Council Representative. Third row: Irving M. Hyman and Richard M. Motto. Not present for photo: Earl Josten, Carmine Martino, Rick Ullrich, Richard Raymond, Ellin Yasky and Ray Reckdenwald.

Youth Advisory Committee

To strengthen and improve community services to the youth of Fair Lawn, the Borough Council has appointed a Youth Advisory Committee since 1971.

The committee is composed of residents to include at least one representative of the governing body, representatives from the Junior and Senior High Schools, one representative of the school board and other responsible citizens. Members serve for three years except for the Junior and Senior High School representatives who serve until graduation from their respective schools.

The Youth Advisory Committee is charged with the supervision or making of studies and surveys of all matters which are or may be related to the interest of youth activities. Based upon these studies the committee makes recommendations to the Council to include plans, and ways and means to meet various subjects having to do with youth guidance programs.

In addition, members assist in coordinating and integrating community plans and services, both governmental and voluntary, which affect the welfare of all children and youth in Fair Lawn.

The Committee is credited with having created a Fair Lawn unit of the Bergen County Volunteers in Courts and Corrections. At present, 28 trainees are enrolled in the program which provides for working on a one to one basis with juveniles on probation.

Additional recommendations to the borough council have involved enhancements of facilities existing at the Youth Canteen and Memorial Park. These included a pilot project of a lighting system at the Park to encourage outdoor activities during times when the pool is not open; that monies be made available to hire six additional supervisors for these activities and that provisions be made that the refreshment stand and lavatories be open.

Also, the committee suggested that all tennis courts in Fair Lawn be equipped with adequate lighting for night operation. Concerning the Youth Canteen, the Committee investigated and recommended the establishment of a coffee shop at the Center or other suitable location; recommended hiring a woman supervisor during the fall of 1974 to encourage attendance and a revitalization of programs and movie showings and dances.



JUVENILE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE. Front row (from left): Henry Bernhardt, Mrs. Esther Milnes, Chairman and Kurt Schwarz, Vice Chairman. Second row: Rabbi Selig Salkowitz and Harry Moore. Not present for photo; Lucia Heywang, Secretary; the Rev. Henry Loeber; Dominick Jordan; Victor Van De Moere, Juvenile Officer and Ruth Eliezer, Case Worker.

Juvenile Conference Committee

By the rules of the New Jersey Supreme Court, a citizens committee is authorized to act as an arm of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court. The Committee's duties are to hear and decide such matters involving alleged juvenile offenders referred to it by the Court.

Fair Lawn's Juvenile Conference Committee is composed of eight citizens of the community. Each member has been duly sworn by the Court to observe the confidential nature of the Committee's proceedings. Members serve voluntarily, without pay, for a period of three years, and are chosen to represent various segments of our community.

The Committee utilizes the services of an experienced Youth Guidance Officer and an Investigating Case Worker.

The Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court of Bergen County turns to the Juvenile Conference Committee for four basic reasons: 1. To investigate and deal with complaints of misbehavior which are technically acts of delinquency. 2. To confidentially examine the causes of such acts of delinquency for the sole purpose of helping the juvenile and his or her family. 3. To hear cases and endeavor that there be a satisfactory conclusion. 4. To avoid any publicity that might attend court appearances by juveniles so as to avoid the stigma of an adjudication of a juvenile that might result in a handicap in later life.

To accomplish these objectives, the Committee

works with the local governing bodies, the school authorities, the police, clergy, and social agencies in the formation of constructive programs for preventing juvenile offenses.

The Juvenile Conference Committee does not "hold court". Rather, it conducts a Case Conference with the individual involved, parents, complainant and any involved agency such as school or police authorities.

Acceptance of the Committee as a local means of solving problems arising from juvenile offenses is voluntary on the part of all participants. No one can be forced to use the facility of the Committee. However, once the Court refers the case to the Committee and the Committee facility is not accepted, the case must be remanded to the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court in Hackensack.

The Juvenile Conference Committee can only act when the juvenile resides in Fair Lawn and is under 18 years of age; when the juvenile has not previously been found guilty of committing an offense either by the Juvenile Court or by a Juvenile Conference Committee; when all persons concerned in the proceeding voluntarily agree to use the facility of the Committee; when the types of offenses are included in the Statutes which cover felony, high misdemeanor, or other offenses that might be classified as delinquency; when the Judge of the Court gives permission to the local Committee to conduct the conference although the conditions fall outside these stated above.



WELFARE BOARD. Front row (from left): William Merkel, Chairman and Marion Buchanan, Director of Social Services and Welfare. Second row: Ted Brand and Beatrice Logan. Members not present for photo: Mildred Merboth, Secretary and Robert Landzettel.

Welfare Board

Social case work is available to all residents of Fair Lawn or to any displaced person temporarily in the Borough regardless of financial status.

Social, domestic and financial problems are considered and processed by the Municipal Department of Social Services and Welfare consisting of a full-time administrator whose programs are supervised by the Local Assistance Board. All information is confidential as are all inquiries and resultant case records.

Can you imagine being in any of the following situations?

You have a child who has run away.

You would like to provide temporary care for a youngster in trouble.

You are living on a fixed retirement income and wonder whether there are any possible programs to supplement your income.

You are having difficulty with your neighbor and are loathe to call the police department and make a formal complaint.

You know of a child who you feel is being neglected or abused and yet you do not wish to confront the parents nor have your name involved.

You have lost your Social Security card and have not recorded your number.

You would like to know if you are eligible to receive food stamps, and, if so, how the program works.

You are in a quandry because you do not drive and have an important appointment with the doctor.

You have a relative who you would like to have placed in a county hospital, either because of an emergent situation or for a chronic psychiatric or medical reason, but you do not know how to proceed.

You are temporarily out of work and need help financially.

You are disabled and unable to work, living with relatives, but you would like to have a personal income.

You own a foodstore and would like to have it qualified to accept food stamps from your customers.

These are just a few of the questions which, someday, you may have to ask yourself. That is when, as a resident of Fair Lawn, no matter what your social or financial status, you can turn to your Municipal Department of Social Services and Welfare. The number to call is 796-5176.



RENT LEVELING BOARD. Seated (from left): Joseph Furst, Herbert Krieger, chairman and Edward Drier, vice chairman. Standing: Joseph Rosenblatt, Shirley Loeber, William Stafford, Wally Koch and Charles Gorga.

Rent Leveling Board

Functioning under the provisions of borough ordinances, the Rent Leveling Board protects the interests of both tenants and landlords within our community.

Under a borough ordinance passed in May 1973, tenants are protected from large rent increases and landlords are provided with fair and equitable returns on their investments.

Composed of two tenant representatives, two landlord representatives and three other resident members, the Board meets "on call" in the Municipal Building to resolve tenant-landlord problems.

Its proceedings often take the form of hearings where both sides have an opportunity to be heard, and, as authorized under appropriate ordinances, the Board is empowered to issue orders fixing rents based on formulas which take into account base rent dates and increases.

Any tenant with doubts concerning the legality of his rent and/or increases can file a Form 100 with the Rent Leveling Board. The Forms are available at the receptionist's desk in the Municipal Building and are mailed to the Board. To date, the Board has heard over 250 tenant-landlord complaints.

Senior Citizens Housing

In recent years, the Borough of Fair Lawn has become acutely interested in seeing to it that adequate housing is available for its senior citizens.

In 1968 and 1969, the Fair Lawn League of Women Voters and the Fair Lawn Jaycees co-sponsored a survey regarding senior citizen housing. The survey indicated that there was a lack of apartments available in our community for senior citizens at a price which they could afford. The 1970 census confirmed the findings of this survey.

Subsequently, the Borough Council appointed a five member Citizens Advisory Committee which would examine federal subsidies for Fair Lawn senior citizens.

Through the efforts of the committee, consisting of John Horn, chairman, Selma Lash, Harry Clinton III, the Rev. Samuel Priestley, and Elizabeth Rohr, rent subsidies were obtained and are now in effect for 65 of the Borough's senior citizens.

The Citizens Advisory Committee learned, however, that providing funds for senior citizens already housed

in apartments was only part of the problem. Consequently, the Committee advised the Borough Council that many additional apartment units were needed for senior citizens.

As a result of the work accomplished by the Citizens Advisory Committee, a Senior Citizen Housing Corporation was formed by the Borough Council. Nine trustees were appointed and this non-profit group was incorporated in January, 1973.

The Senior Citizen Housing Corporation intended to apply for federal mortgage funds which were then available for senior citizen apartment complexes such as the one they were planning. Shortly after the incorporation of the Senior Citizen Housing Corporation, however, these federal funds were frozen by the federal government.

The nine member corporation is now studying available land sites in the Borough.



WORKING FOR SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING. Seated (from left): Selma Lash, John Horn, Dorothy Krall and Alan Mintz. Standing: Harry Clinton III, Anthony Purpuse, Richard J. Vander Plaats, George Kirsch and Louis Kershner.

Fair Lawn's 50th Anniversary Song

Tune: Auld Lang Syne

Lyrics: By Vera Fertel

We're all for Fair Lawn
Yes we are
Indeed we love her so
We're all for Fair Lawn
Yes we are
And we want you all to know

We're all for Fair Lawn
Yes we are

We really think she's grand
We're all for Fair Lawn
Yes we are
But we need your helping hand

We've been through fifty years you know
Since 1924
It's time to take a forward step
Toward two thousand twenty four

Police Department



FAIR LAWN POLICE DEPARTMENT, May 1973. Front row (from left): Sgt. William Gormanns, Sgt. Joseph Messere, Lieut. Clarence Loebel, Lieut. Kenneth Vandenberg, Lieut. Nicholas Vanore, Chief Louis J. Risacher, Captain Albert Senegeto, Lieut. Vincent J. Di Pentima, Lieut. Robert Van Houten, Lieut. Edmund Ulinsky, Sgt. Leo Welez.

Second row: Ptl. George Naugle, Frank Van Leeuwe, Richard Levy, Milton Capwell, Alexander Crawford, Warren Steenland, Robert Lapsley, Jeff Krasnomowitz, Barry Cox, Rodney Grinis, Cliff Downey.

Third row: Ptl. James McCauley, Sidney Borduin, Wilfred Hug, Joseph Dosky, Robert Gajarsky, Ronald Stepe, Saul Thau, George Macys, Peter Kemp, Robert Sudek, Ralph Burt.

Fourth row: Ptl. Fred Jaskot, Victor Van De Moere, Marcel Calie, Robert Boogertman, Chris Freitag, Dennis Kolk. Missing when photo was taken: Sgt. Richard Polhemus, Sgt. Milton Hickey, Sgt. Thomas Faline, Ptl. James Culnen, John Mazzaretto, James Motto, Michael Cordasco, Douglas Davis. Appointed after May, 1973: Ptl. Garry Diehl, Robert Kneer, James Smith, Bernard Hart and Martin Allen.

When the Borough of Fair Lawn was born in 1924 there was no Police Department. Instead Fair Lawn was protected by marshals who worked "on call."

Michael Vanore was the chief marshal and his force included H. Asher, M. Sindle, S. Greydanus, R. Kremers, P. Polito, R. Kuiken, J. Gemienhard, R. Clark, C. La-grosa, C. Challice, H. Courter and H. Wachter. Before becoming a Fair Lawn Marshal Vanore was a Saddle River Township constable.

Councilman William Croucher was the first police commissioner and Councilman Paul V. Hardy was the last. The Borough Manager now fulfills that function.

When only marshals were employed, the only roads in the borough were Fair Lawn Avenue, Lincoln Avenue, Broadway, Saddle River Road, River Road and Maple Avenue. These were heavily traveled on Sundays and holidays and a motorcycle was purchased to patrol them.

A full-time, paid police department was not established until 1930. It became necessary when the addition of Radburn and the opening of the Textile Dyeing and

Printing Co. caused the borough to grow.

Fair Lawn has only had two police chiefs in its history. In September 1930 Michael Vanore became permanent chief and he held that position until his death in 1955. The chief who replaced him, Louis J. Risacher, was appointed to the force in 1939.

The first three policemen under Vanore were Elijah Duddlestone, Emil De Wilde and William Grunstra. In 1941, Civil Service was adopted as the means of appointment to the police force.

Second in seniority to Chief Risacher on the force today is Nicholas Vanore, appointed in 1941. Other early appointees are Victor Van De Moere, Marcel Calie, Milton Capwell and Vincent Di Pentima.

In its first days the policemen used their own cars and had only telephones as a means of communication. Later the department was completely motorized and equipped with modern facilities.

In 1933 a gangster listed as a "Public Enemy" by the FBI was arrested here. He was a member of the

Police Department Civilian Staff



POLICE DEPARTMENT CIVILIAN STAFF. From left: Eleanore Campbell, Records Clerk; Eleanor Gauli, Dispatcher; Lucy Tregidgo, Records Clerk; Jeanne Allan, Microfilm Operator; Harold Lay, Dispatcher and Lily Nagan, Secretary. Not present for photo: Joseph Hloucek, Dispatcher; Cathy Ann Kazazian, Dispatcher and Joost Van Dyke, Dog Warden.

Jersey City Rope Gang and was connected with several big jobs.

The Police Department conducted several investigations for the FBI, the Army and Navy Intelligence Divisions and various war plants during World War II.

Today, policing of the borough is in the hands of a fully-trained and well-equipped professional department with a complement of 52 sworn personnel. These are the Chief of Police, one Captain, six Lieutenants, six Sergeants and 38 Patrolmen. The Headquarters staff also includes eight civilian employees in clerical and dispatcher positions.

The Chief of Police also supervises the operations of the 55 man Police Reserve Force, 29 School Crossing Guards and the Borough Dog Warden, Joost Van Dyke. The Police Department is equipped with a teletypewriter connected to the 13 State Eastern police region; operates a computer terminal center on the Bergen

County Regional Enforcement Information Network and has its own records on microfilm.

The Fair Lawn Department is one of the few agencies of its size to have its own Training Center and was among the first in the country to provide a professional growth plan for members with extra compensation for college credits. Since the plan was initiated in 1967, 41 policemen of the present complement have earned college credits. Fifteen of these men have already earned an Associate Degree and ten of these have gone on to complete the requirements for their Baccalaureate degree. Of the ten graduates, ten were graduated with high honors. Some 84 percent of the present department, therefore, have either a degree or are attending college.

The Fair Lawn Police Department has been highly rated by professional police consultants and often recommended to college students in criminal justice majors for intern programs and research papers.

Police Reserves



FAIR LAWN POLICE RESERVES. Row 1 (from left): Sgt. Jean Anania, Sgt. Jos. St. Miklossy, Sgt. Louis Deis, Lt. Hans Guter-
man, Lt. Robert Langan, Executive officer, Capt. A. Senegeto, F.L.P.D., Director, Capt. Jas. Patterson, C.O., Lt. John VanderZwalm,
Sgt. Bert Ruthauser, Sgt. H. Blumenthal.

Row 2: Ptl. Ira Furman, Bernard Young, William Brownson, Mel Londner, Chet Krulak, Peter George, Louis Gray, Joseph
Lomonico.

Row 3: Robert Dierling, Jeff Blumenfeld, Louis Weiss, Fred Borkowski, Gene Di Giacomo, Rick Comis, Walt La Rose, Jos. Chasley,
Fred O'Meara, Lionel Leavitt, Peter Choma, John Woitasek, Al Merboth, Len Lautenberger, Edward Raeber.

Row 4: Joseph Hloucek, Moe Yarmus.

Members not present: Sgt. John Stieger, Sgt. Karl Eder, Ptl. J. Bogert, J. Wiedner, M. Ward, J. Hickey, R. Cole, S. Rhodes, E.
Hofstatter, R. Campbell, S. Rochman, H. Klipper, J. Cohen, K. Pfeifer, G. Katsch, L. Fried, M. Kearney, T. Yondolino.

In order to cope with situations in time of emer-
gency or disaster that might occur in the rapidly grow-
ing town of Fair Lawn, it was decided in the fall of 1950
to provide substantial augmentation to police personnel.
Thus, recruitment began for an Auxiliary Police force
of up to 100 men.

Chief of Police Michael Vanore assigned the job of
organizing the reservists to then Captain Louis J. Ris-
acher, and appointed him Director of Auxiliary Police.

Originally organized into four districts, the reserves
were reorganized into two precincts in 1953, and into
one central organization in 1963.

Training was originally conducted by Lt. Kenneth
Vandenberg (then Patrolman), who covered all facets
of police work. Formal instruction in a 32-hour course
offered at the Bergen County Police and Fire Training
Academy in Mahwah is now a requirement.

The Reserves were one of the first such units to be
uniformed and armed. These 55 resident volunteers
serve nightly and weekend tours of duty with regular
police and in their own police reserve cars. The first
of these reserve cars (car 99) was provided gratuitously
by Ralph Vail of Vail Chevrolet, formerly located on
Broadway at 30th St.

For more than a decade the reservists used donated
space as their particular precincts and headquarters until
the new municipal building was constructed. Then they
occupied the old municipal building on Gardiner St.
until it was vacated and demolished. Housed for sev-
eral years at the Police Training Center on Saddle River
Rd., the reservists are now headquartered in their own

building located next to the Public Library on Fair Lawn
Ave.

The existing structure and land was purchased as a
capital expenditure by the borough in 1973. Renovated
and equipped with the necessary communications para-
phernalia, it has been officially dedicated and open house
was held March 2 of this year. On Feb. 21, a service
awards program was held at headquarters, and those
men who have served 20, 15, 10 and five years as re-
servists were duly honored.

Chief Risacher still personally directs the Police
Reserves, assisted by Capt. Albert J. Senegeto whom the
Chief assigned as Director in 1965. The reserves' com-
manding officer is Capt. James Patterson with Lt. Rob-
ert Langan as Executive Officer and second in command.

The Police Reserves, ready at all times for emer-
gency or disaster duty, serve the borough on a day-to-
day basis as part of their on-the-job training. Among
the 200,000 plus man-hours of duty expended over the
past 23 years, the reservists have performed such jobs
as traffic control, church traffic duty, nightly and week-
end patrol and assignments at celebrations, parades and
athletic events.

It is also interesting to note that eight former mem-
bers of the Police Reserves became members of the reg-
ular department, two of whom are sergeants. Former
reservist Wayne McCammon is presently Chief of Police
at Long Boat Key, Florida, and former Patrolman Carl
Hirshman is currently the United State Marshal for
New Jersey.

Fire Protection



FIRE BOARD. Seated (from left): Wayne Tennis, Captain, Co. 1; Russell Van Ness, Fire Clerk; Peter Monaco, Fire Chief; William Grieter, Deputy Chief; Ken Post, Captain, Co. 3 and Roger Poloenes, Captain, Co. 4. Standing: Ted de la Mare, Fire Prevention; Emil Sarisky, First Lieutenant, Co. 1; Gerald Hammer, Second Lieutenant, Co. 4; Frank Rotelli, Engineer, Co. 2; Robert Vanderliet, First Lieutenant, Co. 4; Vincent Gorman, Sr., First Lieutenant, Co. 2; John Brederhorst, First Lieutenant, Co. 3; Doug Tennis, Engineer, Co. 4 and Anton Makis, Second Lieutenant, Co. 3.

Before Fair Lawn became a community in 1923, residents formed and joined volunteer organizations to protect homes, businesses, woodland and other properties from fire.

During these early days the main cause of fire alarms were burning barns. Brush fires were also a major hazard. Fires were usually smothered by hand using brooms and buckets of water.

At a mass meeting held at the old Fair Lawn Hotel at the corner of Fair Lawn Avenue and River Road on November 24, 1911, the Fair Lawn Volunteer Fireman's Association was formed. Ironically, the first officially recorded fire fought by the local volunteers broke out at department headquarters at the same general location three weeks later. Fortunately, no equipment had been purchased yet.

Fair Lawn's first piece of fire fighting apparatus was a hand-drawn hook and ladder truck. Charles Vogel, our first fire chief, often supplied his farm horses to draw the truck when responding to alarms.

For a number of years, Fair Lawn has been protected by one of the finest volunteer Fire Departments in the State of New Jersey.

The 105 men presently on the force are all Borough residents and have undergone a six month probationary period and a 13 week training program at a local Fire Academy prior to becoming full fledged members of the department.

Today, there are four fire stations in the Borough and the department is equipped with five modern first line fire trucks with two spare units and supporting equipment.

In addition, the Borough maintains its own training grounds for its volunteer firemen consisting of a building used for smoke drills and several vehicles used for simulated drills. Drill exercises are conducted on a regular basis by the Captain of each fire company.

The Borough's tax rate is held down considerably because its firemen are all volunteers. Yet our community's insurance rating is the best in its category according to the Fire Underwriters.



FIRE COMPANY NO. 1, FAIR LAWN CENTER. Front row (from left): Fred Schmeltz, Fred Gehring, Ed Boyle, Garry Ballerini, John Rembiszewski, Joe Schweitzer, Ron Sojka, Mike Reitano, Jack Rothenback, Larry Abramson, Edward Pietruszka and John N. Hoitsma. Second row: George Dros, Tony Bono, Joe Hloucek, Paul Zimmerman, Joe Kovalicky, Len Fanuel, Engineer Russell Van Ness, Second Lieutenant John Hamilton, Captain Wayne Tennis, First Lieutenant Emil Sarisky, Edward Feldman, Joe Miller, Harold LaRue, Donald Eelman and Mike DeRitter. Members not present for photo: Frank Drahouzal, Frank Sanford, George Berghout, George Wiseman, Ken Worflar, Robert Hamilton, George Conklin, Bart Kuipers and Elmer Boyce.



FIRE COMPANY NO. 2, COLUMBIA HEIGHTS. Front row (from left): Past Chief Fred Wilson, First Lieutenant Vince Gorman, Captain Robert Bell, Deputy Chief William Grieder, and Past Chief Willard Wilson, Sr. Second row: O. R. Ehrentraut, R. O. Ehrentraut, Len Tanis, John Mamo, Tom Reardon and David Wolthouse. Third row: Walter Grossi, Steve Fett and Will Wilson, Jr. Members not present for photo: Jake Flaker, George LaRosa, Joe Meny, Ted Bell, Frank Rotelli, Charles Crane, Joe Mahoney, Pat Donohue, Dave Decker and Larry Fisher.



FIRE COMPANY NO. 3, WARREN POINT. Front row (from left): Chief Peter Monaco, Second Lieutenant Anton Maikis, Leo Cook, Jr., Richard Bente, John Lyons, Captain Ken Post, Eric Andersen, Ralph Robibaro, Martin Pelta and Ken Pfeifer. Second row: William Lipfert, Nick Messina, Tony Panico and Lou Arallo. Third row: Ron Grant and Daniel Kopack. Members not present for photo: First Lieutenant John Bredehorst, Engineer Bill Panagia, Tim Franco, Tom Lieb, Peter Kemp, Richard Levy, Greg Smyth, Sonny Trimmer, Yuri Metelow, Frank Bello, Paul Mazur and Andy Mills.



FIRE COMPANY NO. 4, RADBURN. Front row (from left): Captain Roger Ploenes, First Lieutenant Robert Vandervliet, Second Lieutenant Gerald Hammer, Engineer Doug Tennis and Past Fire Chief Ted de la Mare. Second row: Frank Malter, Larry Mullins, Tony Lauria, Jay Bender, Donald Bray, Bill Arneson, Jack Donohue, Sr., Dennis Harnett, Jim Lawlor, Andy Hoh and Joe Wallace. Third row: John Fawcett, Ted Wagner and Art Maison. Fourth row: Tom Twiggs and Ken Meyer-dierks. Fifth row: Ed Mueller and Jack Donohue, Jr. Members not present for photo: Ed Maison, Jack Collins, Andy Fox, Walt Ebeling, Dick Doran, Edwin Krauss, Sam Priestley, Augie Haug and Peter Brown.

Retired Volunteer Firemen

As our community celebrates its 50th anniversary, we, as residents know that ours is a community of volunteers. Much of what we have accomplished to date has been done through the efforts of neighbors giving freely of their time and themselves in order that the majority may enjoy a fuller or safer life.

Volunteer firemen have served Fair Lawn for many

years. Records indicate that the sections of Saddle River Township that were organized into the Borough of Fair Lawn in 1924 were served by citizen volunteers as early as 1911.

To these dedicated men, then, who have given of themselves for their community, this listing of retired firemen is respectfully dedicated.

Fire Co. No. 1 (Fair Lawn Center)

Garret Hopper*	1926	Gustave Van Loo*	1945
Frank Knapp	1920	Stephen Van Handel	1945
Charles C. Vogel*	1933	Cornelius De Ritter	1944
Parke Stephenson	1948	Nicholas Waltzer	1941
George Herman	1928	Thomas Acker	1941
Charles Millbrook*	1920	Floyd Josten	1969
Andrew Schaaf*	1920	John A. Jacobs	1966
Otto Tuschmann, Sr.*	1925	Jacob R. Kuiken	1948
Aaron Courter*	1925	Gustave Herman	1946
Camille Alnemy*	1919	Eugene C. Duffy	1946
George Boyce*	1919	William Reiner*	1960
Joseph De Vuyst*	1928	Harry Bush	1966
Nicholas A. Kuiken*	1927	Seymour Popma	1960
Edward Hemschoot*	1926	George P. Zink	1958
Nachur Alnemy*	1927	Eugene Dalmotte	1945
William Van Hook	1946	Dominick T. Jordan	1954
Harrison Vogel	1946	Joseph K. Cubby	1945
Albert Boyce	1922	Jean J. Anania	1962
Gustav Herman*	1926	Tunis Van Handel	1947
Albert Kremers*	1926	Lucien C. Van Doorne	1947
Fred H. Fox	1933	Edward N. Kuiken	1960
John Clauss	1926	John K. Sundermeyer	1947
Rudolph Kremers*	1928	Thomas J. Rongo	1948
Frank De Pope*	1926	William R. Calabrese	1959
Frank Alnemy*	1926	John A. Cosgrove	1969
Arthur Tuschmann, Jr.*	1933	Frank Drahouzel*	1962
Arthur Burke	1927	Edmond Meire	1952
Richard R. Kuiken*	1945	Ernest Buller*	1960
Andrew L. Fox, Sr.*	1929	Carl Van Riper	1950
Barney De Vuyst*	1930	Charles E. Knapp	1948
Henry A. Kuiken*	1930	Thomas D. Hamilton	1970
John Cosgrove*	1928	Frank L. Van Ness	1959
Frank Fox*	1946	Frank Dykstra	1953
Clarence Croucher	1929	Jean A. Spenla	1972
Percy Croucher	1929	Floyd M. Paladino	1961
William Croucher*	1929	Theodore Holmes	1948
Milton Morrell*	1928	Russell Thomas	1949
Walter Morrell*	1928	Richard R. Kuiken, Jr.	1959
Ziegfeld C. Challice	1930	Charles E. Seemann	1962
Alfred Lowe	1930	August De Ritter	1971
Theodore Brandt, Jr.	1946	Leonard Knapp	1968
Peter Van De Moore	1927	Richard M. Adelman	1953
Jacob H. Kuiken*	1931	Robert Stewart	1969
Samuel Greydanus*	1930	Andrew J. Fox	1948
Joseph Vogel*	1941	Charles R. Vander Vliet	1970
Andrew Post*	1932	Bart Kuipers, Jr.	1970
Andrew E. Fox, Jr.*	1932	Andrew Bush	1960
Samuel Probert	1945	Robert W. Baines	1970
Harry Van Zant	1943	George E. Conklin, Jr.	1971
Eugene F. Gierisch	1936	Richard J. Raymond	1972
George Bray*	1934	Eugene Rothenback	1972
Arelus Montevecchi	1940	Cornelius De Ritter	1972
Martin De Jong*	1934	Louis J. Runz, Jr.	1969
Ralph Bryant*	1938	Donald J. Hanlon	1970
Edward H. Kuiken	1935	Edward N. Kuiken	1972
Theodore Van De Moore*	1934	Jack P. Leonardo	1964
Joseph E. Fox	1947		
Adam Wielhouwer*	1946		

*deceased

Fire Company No. 2 (Columbia Heights)

William Frick, Sr.	1933	John S. Hamilton	1945
William Wachter*	1933	William H. Parker	1974
William Kober*	1933	Joseph B. Gorab	1943
Charles Meng*	1933	Alexander Huizinga	1948
Edward Bender	1949	Louis Harvey	1945
Louis J. Risacher	1933	Philip Marino	1948
Anthony Grossi*	1945	James A. Cox	1957
William Frick, Jr.	1934	Dominick Mancini	1947
Harry Sheeler*	1943	John J. Cleary	1947
Peter Buis	1932	Joseph F. Majewski	1958
Nicholas Postma	1949	Bert E. Gruber	1953
Emil Grieder*	1937	George Riemersma	1947
Andrew Shadegg*	1946	Henry Kingsma	1948
Maurice Rogers	1934	Arch W. Brown*	1966
George Bell*	1946	Edmund J. Nunnink	1970
Charles Rooney*	1940	Carl Griffith	1947
Cornelius Van Oudenaren	1937	Ernest Tompkins	1949
Louis De Ritter	1947	Harry W. Ringressy	1970
Jacob Weich*	1950	Francis J. Sieminski	1970
George Mills	1932	William R. Van Der Sluys	1951
Charles Gould*	1935	Eugene G. Gruber	1962
John Van Der Weide	1939	Henry J. Michalski	1951
John F. Schoener	1933	Harry Rothwell	1948
Gerard Domier	1940	Theodore J. Openhym	1949
John Postma	1936	John Van Olden	1954
John Gemeinhardt	1936	Raymond J. Plattel	1953
Robert Bosland*	1958	John Kretsch	1955
Albert Cochia*	1943	Dante Lozzi	1962
Peter Brandes	1943	Nicholas Oleynick	1955
Philip Dietch, Jr.*	1964	James W. McCauley	1963
Julius Fylstra	1938	Edward Easse	1952
Elmer Hopper	1935	Walter Manganinni	1956
Barney Tiedema	1945	John A. Sittley	1961
John Fisher	1938	Harold H. Wesley	1956
Russell Gould	1942	Walter W. Johnson	1955
Scallie Rota	1942	Stanley W. Frey	1974
Joseph Rota	1945	Edward J. Kata	1956
George Van Dyk, Jr.	1947	Walter Jacobus	1973
Isaac T. Degenaars	1941	Kenneth A. Young	1968
Peter Poswenyck	1945	Joseph Cioffi	1961
Richard Brandes	1952	Raymond T. Edmondson, Jr.	
William Orbeek	1941		1962
Nicholas H. Kuiken	1944	Jack Schatmeyer	1972
Albert Paulhus	1943	Leonard R. Gras, Jr.	1972
John Anchak	1947	Hugh A. Grubbs	1972

*deceased

Fire Company No. 3 (Warren Point)

John De Young*	1948	Victor Wolf	1962
Peter Post*	1948	Lester F. Wolf	1962
Andrew Ryan, Sr.	1933	Herbert Tunis	1947
Louis Salata	1933	John R. Mc Clellan*	1965
Bruno Wille	1942	Albert J. Senegeto	1950
Raymond D. Kezel*	1935	George Wolf	1951
Fred G. Nuss*	1933	Fred T. Sperber	1966
Philip Ryan*	1934	Charles J. Smith	1948
Robert Riglian	1933	Benjamin F. Dunning	1960

Fire Company No. 3 (Continued)

Frank Roughgarden	1933	William J. Corlett	1950
Leo Roughgarden	1933	Charles Glasstetter	1962
Milton Vernoy	1935	Harry Van Tol, Jr.	1972
Donald Winters*	1935	Frederick E. Thomas	1953
Lylle Berridge	1940	Robert K. Long, Jr.	1965
Henry Borgsted	1935	William W. Good	1964
Louis Krismeyer	1940	John Ciampo	1961
Benjamin Vernooy*	1942	Arthur H. Brotherton	1974
Clayton C. Winters*	1939	Paul Cerniansky	1972
Andrew Ryan, Jr.*	1940	Louis Dunning	1960
William Trefall	1940	Robert Lindsay	1970
Leslie Epton*	1940	Allen K. Woodcock	1969
Frank Wilkes	1940	Carl Jacoby	1966
John Mc Dermott	1941	William Dowd*	1958
Fred Roughgarden	1936	Francis J. Woods, Jr.	1962
Roy Emerson	1937	Richard E. Mc Call	1959
Ellsworth Thomas*	1941	George S. Casale	1959
Samuel Patricia	1940	Raymond C. Sperber	1964
Malcolm Terhune	1962	Frank F. Van Leeuwe	1970
George Mann	1940	William J. Broich	1964
Frank Makepiece	1946	William G. Finley	1969
Hans Spann	1942	William J. Kondla, Jr.	1966
John D. Mc Hardy, Jr.	1940	Andrew P. Hedern	1967
William H. Good	1947	Thomas N. Weinbrecht	1965
Herbert Tunis	1940	Frank R. Sharry	1966
Salvatore Grisafe	1940	J. Patten Sperber	1965
Lawrence Kurtzo	1942	Jeremiah P. Tuohy	1968
Harold J. De Young	1945	Joseph J. Sidney	1967
Nunzio Marciave	1956	James L. Morrell	1967
Charles A. Trombetta	1943	Allen B. Lopata	1969
Donald L. Simpson	1943	Charles D. Megnin	1970
James D. Mc Fadyen	1959	Frank Sinnema	1937
Harold Van Tol, Jr.	1972	Louis Timmerman*	1940
Cornelius Dunning, Jr.*	1957	Roy Emmerson	1943
Arno Schmutzler	1960	Joseph Kupec	1955

*deceased

Fire Company No. 4 (Radburn)

Robert Clarke	1935	Edward F. Mitchell	1946
Thomas P. Knott	1932	Harry F. Pearce, Jr.	1961
John Marshall	1938	Kenneth C. Lull*	1954
Leslie D. Price	1935	Joseph L. Bishop	1955
Harry Sisco	1940	George E. Jacques	1954
Howard R. Speer*	1953	John P. Riley	1948
Stanley G. Timmerman	1939	Harry R. Murray	1950
Theodore B. H. Vogt	1948	Joseph F. Kennedy	1951
James N. Wright*	1940	Clinton E. Leech	1952
Charles W. Zabriskie	1939	Max J. Wirz	1954
Howard Y. Zeller	1940	John W. Van Hevelingen	1961
Joseph B. Belay	1951	Aarne W. Wallen	1965
Alton Harrison	1933	Allen B. Hague	1953
Llyod Meyer*	1940	William B. Wagner	1963
George P. Williamson*	1945	Bernard T. Kelley	1960
Joseph Cox	1933	Irwin C. Ricker	1957
Hamilton G. Gelston	1940	Paul W. Buzzell	1955
James S. Wheaton	1936	William E. Smith, Jr.	1954
George Buesman	1932	William W. Bonham, Jr.	1965
Raymond M. Connors*	1941	Charles A. Zabriskie	1954
George Twigg	1933	Franklyn W. Arnstein	1961
N. Avera	1932	Frederic C. Schmidt	1954
Robert Hudson	1935	Joseph H. Hayes	1956
Albert Russell	1937	Louis Burlingame	1956
Cauldwell Frazer	1937	Jacob Jones	1959
Richard Swallow	1956	Theodore F. Wanderer	1960
Matthew Smith	1935	Paul T. LaHiff	1961
Kenneth G. Sites	1944	Robert Armistead	1968
Frederick Veile*	1947	James J. Hart	1961
Harry Hewson	1935	Edward C. Zury	1968
De Witt Bell	1938	John C. McBride	1964
Joseph Pheifer*	1943	Raymond E. Fox	1966
Arthur H. Dooley*	1943	John Fawcett	1960
Howard W. Wallbank	1937	Herbert F. Geier, Jr.	1961
Robert Turner	1941	William R. Cunningham	1967
Hartley E. Radcliffe	1940	Robert J. Vaughan	1969
John B. Wilson	1958	William F. Burns	1969
Alexander L. Don	1939	Walter F. Jahrling	1966
Stevenson Whitehead	1942	Harold E. Johnson	1969
Henry F. Scarr	1942	Herbert F. Geier	1970
Henry A. Schonger	1947	Robert S. Earle	1963
John K. Pollitt	1949	Louis W. Ferreira, Sr.	1972
George A. Sporn	1950	Richard Eberling	1967
Frank R. Chalfont	1940	Donald L. Miller	1969
Zephir J. Chagnon	1941	Joseph G. Meade, Jr.	1970
Terrence Gillen, Jr.	1942	Andrew H. Stewart	1970
Theodore M. Broadston	1945	Joseph D. Hefferman	1969
Michael T. Jadick	1953	David M. Sullivan	1972
Paul Peterson	1959	George S. Cutillo	1972
Richard E. Hull	1944	Henry F. Scarr	1937
Howard F. Fensterer	1959	Joseph O. Haff	1952
Sidney W. Fay	1950	Everett Butler	1946
Henry F. Seymour	1947	Edward F. Mitchell	1954
Charles E. Daly*	1950	Carl E. Zaisser	1953
Robert R. Rapp, Sr.	1947		

*deceased

To All Our Fair Lawn Boys

Fair Lawn's 50th Anniversary Committee
dedicates this poem

"YOUR NAME"

You receive it from your father
It was all he had to give
So it's yours to use and cherish
For as long as you may live.
If you lose the watch he gave you
It can always be replaced;
But — a black mark on your name, son,
Can never be erased.
It was clean the day you took it;
And a worthy name to bear, for
When he received it from his father
There was no dishonor there.
So — make sure you guard it wisely,
After all is said and done —
And you'll be glad the name is spotless
When "You" give it to "Your Son."
"God Bless Our Boys!"

Fair Lawn Called Slooterdam

The most visual evidence of Indian habitation in this area is an old Indian fish trap found about two hundred yards above the Fair Lawn Avenue bridge.

The fish trap, or weir, is in the Passaic River and consists of two sets of rocks forming a V-shaped dam. According to histories of local Indians, during the migrations of fish through the opening in the lower "V". When enough fish were trapped between the two parts the trap would be closed by a gate, probably of weighted nets.

The dam came to be known as a slooterdam, based on the Dutch word for a floodgate. Because of this landmark, which can be seen during low water, from the 1600's to the late 1700's Fair Lawn was known as Slooperdam.

Civil Defense - Disaster Control

The Fair Lawn Civil Defense-Disaster Control organization is composed of citizen volunteers set up and equipped to provide a wide variety of services to the borough in the event of war or local disaster.

Although the current CD-DC organization dates from the outbreak of the Korean Crisis in 1950, local Civil Defense was active during World War II with an effective and complete organization to minimize the effects of air raids. At the time, the marching of uniformed air raid wardens on borough streets, enforced black out drills and the camouflaging of local industries and factories were commonplace.

Under the direction of Mayor Theodore K. Ferry, John Kriesmer served as Chairman of the CD Council. Members of his staff included Albert Heid, Safe Shelter; Jacob Schultz, Disaster Defense; Hazel Wardle, Secretary; Mrs. C. M. McCurdy, Nutrition; Harold Simmonds, Public Relations; Chief Michael Vanore, Auxiliary Police; David Probert, Air Raid Wardens; John Schweizer, Road Repairs; Joseph Belay, Auxiliary Firemen; Dominick Jordan, Rescue and Demolition; Albert Russell, Medical; Henry Scarr, Communications and Joseph Kupec, Transportation and Evacuation.

Inactivated after the war, CD was re-organized in 1950 under the direction of Ernest Eyer. He was succeeded in 1952 by the present director Colonel Carl J. Koenig (U.S. Army—Retired).

Today, CD-DC operations are headquartered in the basement of the Municipal Building. The Fair Lawn Control Center also serves as the number one alternate control center for Bergen County inasmuch as the local organization is considered one of the more efficient and effective organizations in the country for a municipality of our population and size.

Much of the equipment for the local CD-DC organization has been purchased with federal matching funds to include two of the six pumper fire engines presently in service. The Heavy Rescue truck, sirens, the present fire radio system, additional CD and public safety radio equipment, radiological instruments, telephone costs and other needed equipment were also procured under this program. More than \$100,000 has been saved in Fair Lawn by the use of matching funds.

Through CD-DC, Fair Lawn also has participated in the federal surplus property program wherein useful equipment has been obtained at a cost to the borough of five percent of its original acquisition cost to the Federal government. Approximately \$20,000 worth of such equipment has been obtained from 1957 to date at a cost to Fair Lawn of about \$1,000.

In another matching fund program, half the cost of CD-DC administration is paid for by the Federal Government.

During the past decade, CD-DC activities have shifted from the civil defense aspect (planning and

training for possible enemy attack) to the disaster control aspect (preparation for natural disasters).

Accordingly, federal, state and local exercises have increasingly emphasized the natural disaster aspects of the Fair Lawn unit's responsibilities. One aspect important to homeowners is local unit capability to pump out flooded basements.

Plans also have been developed to provide for medical coverage at disasters such as plane crashes, train collision or derailment, large bus collisions and other incidents resulting in from 25-300 surviving injured casualties.

Members of Colonel Koenig's staff include Louis J. Risacher, Jr., Chief of Police and Security Officer; John R. Sweeney, Operations Officer; Dorothy M. Straut, Administrative Assistant, Augustin DeMayo, Administrative Officer, Frank E. Peruggi, Engineer Officer, Robert J. Romick, Clergy Liaison Officer and Arthur Brotherton, Schools Liason Officer.

CD-DC Division Chiefs include Robert Canaan, Medical; Leona Napurano, Nurse; Marie Bucki, Welfare; David Liddell, Ambulance; R. J. Vander Plaat, Mortuary; Louis J. Risacher, Police; James Patterson, Reserve Police; Peter J. Monaco, Fire; Albert Breslove, Control Warden; Frank L. Van Ness, Heavy Rescue; Richard J. Frankovsky, Radiological; Robert C. Kane, Transportation; Frank E. Peruggi, Engineer; Leonard Knapp, Utilities; Peter Petruska, Communications and Joseph Wieland, Industrial.

The following units make up the Fair Lawn CD-DC organization: Control Wardens, Nurse Section, RADEF, Radio Communications, Heavy Rescue, Volunteer Ambulance Corps, and Welfare. Also a part of CD-DC, the Police Reserves are described in the Municipal section with the regular police department.

Control Wardens

Wardens are a block-by-block controlling force if war or natural disaster necessitates the activation of the local Civilian Defense-Disaster Control organization.

In addition to reporting activities and incidents to headquarters, the wardens interpret civil defense to the citizens on their block, alert those in threatened areas, assist in evacuation and organize varied measures in their areas of responsibility.

To be better prepared for any emergency that might arise, the Wardens have, over the years, had instruction in the following: observation and reporting of incidents, methods of extinguishing small fires, traffic problems and hazards, nuclear weapons and their effects, use and operation of the home fire alarm system, radiation detection, riot and mob control, communication procedures and message preparation, ARC First Aid Course, beginners and advanced, fallout shelters and medical self-help.

The volunteer wardens were alerted during Hurricane Hazel in 1954 and during flooding in 1955. In 1959, they were used to handling traffic when an explosion occurred in a local apartment complex. The wardens also planned and implemented the Fair Lawn public fallout shelter utilization program.

Citizen enrollment is encouraged for men, women and youths. At present, many neighborhoods in the community do not have wardens.

Chief Wardens in Fair Lawn include: George Murphy, John Lamb, Sidney Levine, John Sweeney, Emanuel August, John Walton and Albert J. Breslove.

CD-DC Nurse Section



CD-DC Nurses

The Nurse Section-Medical Division of Fair Lawn's Civil Defense-Disaster Control organized in 1957 with seven registered nurses in the charter group.

Affiliation is open to any R.N. in Fair Lawn. The CD Nurses meet monthly, September through June, for training, planning sessions and operational services for our community.

Their activities include assistance to the Ambulance Corps on occasions such as parades, demonstrations, training and community projects; training in radiological defense, biological warfare, external cardiac massage and the sorting of casualties (triage).

The nurses also conduct classes in Medical Self-Help which is a 12-hour course of training in how to

provide emergency medical assistance to oneself when doctors are not available.

Other training includes standard first aid courses, psychological first aid training and mass feeding courses.

The Nurse Section also provides attendants at the Bergen County Mobile X-Ray project, the Bergen Community Blood Bank blood-taking project and at the Fair Lawn Oral Sabin Vaccine feeding.

Membership varies at between 30 to 40 active members.

Chief CD-DC Nurses have included Shirley Goldstein, Florence Singer, Dorothy Wajcs and Leona Napurano.

RADEF

Radiological Defense (RADEF) is a Civilian Defense-Disaster Control service that had its inception with the advent of the nuclear age. However, it has peacetime uses due to the possibility of peacetime nuclear accident.

By measuring radiation and interpreting these readings, RADEF enables CD-DC to advise local citizens on radiation hazards, to predict the intensity and direction of fallout from nuclear detonations and to advise and manage decontamination techniques and efforts.

In recent years, as a result of the donation of an emergency electric generator and a small van, the RADEF division has extended its emergency services to include the providing of emergency portable lighting and the pumping out of basements during periods of flooding.

Community residents, to include high school students, make up the local RADEF unit. It was organized in 1952 by Charles Lyons and Saul Liss. Past Chiefs of the Fair Lawn RADEF include Mr. Lyons, John Schmitt, Richard Karsten and Richard Frankovsky.



Radio Communications

CD-DC Radio Communications

The Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service is a part of the Fair Lawn CD-DC that provides a backup communications system for official use should natural disaster or war disrupt normal wire systems such as telephone and teletypewriter.

Building on the basic police and fire radio systems existing in the borough, RACES members maintain "ham" type equipment to be used on FCC-provided communications channels. The completion of the Municipal Building in 1961 provided a modern and efficient Control Center in the basement for the staff of 25 to 30 service chiefs and for the Control Center base station staff of six to eight RACES operators.

Prior to 1961, RACES had consisted of a group of "ham" operators using their own equipment operating first in the basement of Fire Company No. 4 (Radburn) and later in a small room of a George Street house. Today, municipally-owned equipment acquired under fed-

eral matching fund programs is used in the base station and portable transceiver network.

The Fair Lawn CD-DC RACES communications staff provides Civil Defense and Disaster Control communications during drills and alerts, conducts weekly net activations and equipment drills, provides radio communications for local parades, celebrations, for other special events such as radio patrol on "goosey" night and Halloween and during emergencies and disasters such as explosions, major fires and severe snow storms. During the Berlin Crisis in the 1950's and the Cuban Missile Crisis in the 1960's, RACES was activated and on duty nightly.

About 20 local volunteers are presently active in RACES. Young persons interested in radio communications and amateur operations may apply for service.

Veterans in the local RACES include William A. Strattan, Peter Petruska, Earl Josten, Ned Varney, Herman Sacks, Walter Fridberg and Jean Anania.



Radiological

CD-DC Heavy Rescue

The Fair Lawn Civil Defense and Disaster Control Rescue Service began in 1955 when our community received approval for the purchase of a heavy rescue truck under a matching fund program. Required to pay half the cost of the \$10,000 vehicle, the local squad received the truck in 1956. It is housed in space rented by the borough from Fire Company One on George Street and manned by volunteers numbering from 15-25 men.

The function of the Rescue Service is to save lives by freeing persons trapped in collapsed buildings, under rubble, or in confined places where special tools and techniques are required to free the individual without exposing him to further injury. Rescue techniques include the rendering of first aid particularly if essential to extrication.

The day-to-day capabilities of the Rescue Service, in contrast to its Civil Defense and Disaster Control functions, are often utilized in freeing persons trapped in motor vehicle accidents and in connection with fires and rescues.

In addition to participation in training and disaster exercises, the Rescue Service has been credited with the rescue of a survivor at the Park Hill Apartment ex-

plosion, the recovery of the body of a child, extricating a truck driver from the cab of his overturned truck, assisting firemen at fires, tearing down hazardous walls following fires and the removal of trucks, police cars and ambulances from being immobilized in mud or snow.

Over a period of 18 hours continuous duty following a severe snow storm, the Rescue Service removed nearly 100 automobiles from our streets to facilitate snow removal operations. In recent years, the pumping of water out of flooded basements has become an additional service.

In 1972, the competition team of the heavy rescue service won a world-wide competition in the International Rescue and First Aid Association competition at Virginia Beach, Va. They were the youngest squad in the competition, all the squad members varied in age from 16 to 20 years excepting the Team Captain, Joe Canatella. The Fair Lawn volunteers outperformed industry-sponsored and paid teams composed of adult professionals.

Past Chiefs of the Service include George P. Zink, Bernard Kahn, John Gill, John Plesch and Norman Einhorn.



CD-DC HEAVY RESCUE SERVICE. Kneeling (from left): Colonel Carl J. Koenig, CD-DC Director and Frank Van Ness, Rescue Service Chief. Second row: former Councilman E. John Gottlieb, Deputy Mayor Nicholas R. Felice, Joe Canatella, Warren Chiodo, Councilman Andrew Fox and Assemblyman C. Gus Rys. Third row: Al Schreck, Peter Zicky, Robert Ehrentraut, Thomas Lieb, Drew Lieb and Borough Manager George Pellack. Members not present for photo: John Mamo and Michael Choma. (1972 photo).



VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS. Seated (from left): Roy Osborn, past president; Sheldon Mead, treasurer; E. Donald Gil, vice president; Dave Liddell, president; John Raiser, corresponding secretary; Bill Clark, recording secretary and Richard Motto. Standing (from left): Bob Di Palma, Irwyn Berman, Steven Lehmebeck, Bob Gugenheim, Paul Dupre, Edward Cooper, Robert Durlacher, Don Wiley, William Gormanns, Robert Chevrier, Lewis Sprechman, Henry Kuiken and Dennis Weyer. Corpsman not pictured: Warren Colyer, Harry Richard, James Walton, Warren Chiodo, Matt Croughan and Drew Lieb.

Volunteer Ambulance Corps

This year, the Fair Lawn Volunteer Ambulance Corps celebrates its 25th year of service to the citizens of our community. During this quarter century, these volunteers have answered well over 18,000 calls for assistance.

In August, 1948, a handful of men, some of whom are still active with the Corps, founded the volunteer organization. The first location was in a shed behind the old Borough Hall at 11th Street and Gardiner Road. In 1953 the Volunteer Ambulance Corps relocated to a modern facility near the intersection of Plaza Road and Berdan Avenue.

The Corps maintains two late model ambulances, each capable of carrying four or more patients. Each is also stocked with First Aid equipment. Both can be converted rapidly for disaster use.

In time of emergency or disaster, when Civil Defense-Disaster Control is mobilized, alerted, or in an exercise, the Ambulance Corps is a vital part of the CD-DC organization. It would provide first aid and medi-

cal transportation, and would serve for the evacuation of hospital patients in the event of personnel dispersal from any area.

Membership is a matter of great pride to those who make up the Volunteer Ambulance Corps. It is not easy to join, and the demands are many. Each member undergoes intensive preparation.

First, is a probation period of one year, under constant supervision. In addition, every member must earn both an American Red Cross Standard and Advanced Aid Card, and complete courses of instruction in external cardiopulmonary resuscitation conducted by the American Association and hospital obstetrics.

A training period of at least once each month is required. Each member must be on call at least once a week in addition to Sunday day call about twice in three months. Members are also subject to emergency calls at any time, day or night.

During 1973, the Corps answered an average of over three calls each day—1224 during the year.

CD-DC Welfare Division

The CD-DC Welfare Division embraces those activities that provide care for homeless, dislocated and other persons unable to care for themselves. Evacuees from devastated areas, those made homeless by floods, tornadoes, explosions and other conditions are included.

The mass care of such persons includes registration and information, housing and sleeping facilities in schools, churches and similar type buildings, mass feeding, clothing and the providing of limited transportation services.

The Welfare Division, primarily made up of women citizen volunteers, has been trained and has conducted training. They have also made cancer dressings, taken first aid courses, solicited for flood relief and refugees and completed the CD Mass Feeding Course in 1959 and the CD Survival Course in 1962. They are currently taking the Medical Self-Help training course.

Division Chiefs include John Gish, Helen D. Shade, Isabel Wilson, Helen Hitchcock, Inge Bonheim and Marie Bucki.



BLOOD BANK OFFICERS. Front row (from left): Ed Feldman, Treasurer; Florence Singer, President; Trudy Schweitzer, Secretary; Chet Boreck, Committeeman. Second row: Ruth Schmidt, Corresponding Secretary; Jerry Platt, Immediate Past President; Tom Floyd, Committeeman. Back row: Ed Cooper, Committeeman.

The Fair Lawn Blood Bank

Each year since 1963, several hundred residents and persons employed in Fair Lawn have qualified as donor members of the Fair Lawn Community Blood Bank Association.

A donor membership requires that a person donate at least one pint of blood for which his family unit is eligible to draw up to six pints of blood for one calendar year. A family unit consists of husband and wife, dependent parents, and sons and daughters resident of or employed in the Borough.

Associate memberships are obtainable by those persons who, being unable to donate blood, remit a small fee. Inability to donate must be attested in writing

by a licensed physician. Persons over age 60 are automatically considered associate members without fee.

Past Presidents of the Community Blood Bank include Chet Borek, 1963-1966; Charles Lyons, 1967; Ed Cooper, 1968-1969; Oscar Haug, 1970-1971; Jerry Platt, 1972-1974 and Florence Singer.

As of 1974, 16 persons have qualified as members of the Association's Gallon Club. They are Ed Cooper, Walter Grossi, Joseph Tampone, Oscar Haug, Wilfred Hug, John Nazzaretto, Richard Becker, Fred Wajcs, Joan Saundry, Lucy Heslin, Ruth Schmidt, Edward Feldman, Mary Sartouskas, Carolyn Mitch, John Ostrosky and Lewis Kleinkopf.



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He covered many political sporting and social events in this area, photographing prominent personalities for the New York Newspapers and Wire services.

Roy Zito joined his father in the business in 1953. He has studied with many nationally prominent photographers. He is a member of the Professional Photographers of N.J. and has been on the executive council for many years. He is also a member of the Professional Photographers of America and the Fair Lawn Rotary Club.

Russ Zito is a member of the B.P.O.E.-Elks Lodge No.60 of Paterson the Kiwanis Club and the Fair Lawn and Paterson Chambers of Commerce.

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Recreational Activities

Fair Lawn offers residents a wide variety of recreation department-sponsored activities which include sports, clubs, hobbies and cultural events. During 1973, over 20,000 different, registered individuals participated in recreation department activities a total of 613,249 times—an all-time high and 20 percent increase over 1972.

Headquartered in the Municipal Building, the Recreation Department administers 14 playgrounds and recreation areas, the Adult Cultural Center (the Arts Center on River Road, formerly the Free Public Library and Fire Company No. 1), Youth Center, Memorial Pool and Memorial Park facilities.

Although the Recreation Department is one of the most active agencies in the borough it has only existed for a little over 25 years.

Borough sponsored recreation activities date back to the 1930's when citizens committees were formed to sponsor playground programs and holiday celebrations. However, the community recreation activities provided in Radburn beginning in 1929 provided an incentive for the borough to create a Recreation Department.

In January 1945 a Recreation Committee was appointed by the mayor and council. It consisted of 12 members who served in an advisory capacity to the full-time Superintendent of Recreation also appointed in 1945. Eventually the citizens committee was dissolved and the superintendent took over a full-time Recreation Department. Monte Weed, who retired as recreation

director this year, took over in 1949.

Four playgrounds were in operation in 1945, in Warren Point, Columbia Terrace, Center Recreation (Cadmus Place) and Raymond Street, where the Municipal Building now stands. The total attendance at the playgrounds in 1945 was 11,000 as compared to 72,000 at 14 playgrounds in 1972.

At the 14 supervised playgrounds, youths from kindergarten through 16 years participate in planned activities of athletics, handicrafts and other events from June through late August. Evening activities for family participation are also provided. Playground supervisory staffs generally consist of college students assisted by volunteer high school and junior high school students.

At present, most of Fair Lawn's playgrounds have been improved through a Master Plan for Park Development initiated in 1967. The long-range program provides for modern equipment, new facilities and landscaping. Changes in each playground were reviewed extensively by neighborhood committees of citizen volunteers.

Other activities sponsored by the Recreation Committee in 1945 included outdoor dances, the Fair Lawn Choral Society, basketball and bowling leagues and adult classes in leisure activities such as sewing and square dancing.

The Holiday Celebrations Committee, through the Recreation Committee, sponsored Halloween and Fourth of July programs that year. For Halloween a costume



HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS COMMITTEE. First row (from left): Richard Proot, Raymond Brush, Lea Brush, Evelyn Noden, Gertrude Kivowitz and Moses Kivowitz. Second row: Vera Fertel, Anne Pagano. Third row: John Tackels, Ruth Tackels, Pat Burgess, John Weber and Fred Shortman. Fourth row: Rolf Hempel, Greg Storozuk, Andrew Fox, Tony Bartoli and Edward Lozzi.

parade was held with both adults and children participating. A bike parade, marble championship and outdoor movies were provided at the Independence Day celebration. Attendance at the July 4th program was about 600, whereas at recent July 4th fireworks displays there have been almost 12,000 present.

The first Miss Fair Lawn pageant was held in 1949 to choose a Silver Jubilee queen. Since then Miss Fair Lawn contests have been sponsored almost every year by the Recreation Department.

The recreation program expanded each year so that by 1973 there were 113 programs sponsored by or in cooperation with the Recreation Department. In 1953 a summer day camp opened for boys, Camp Iroquois at Memorial Park and Camp Cherokee, for girls, was also later instituted.

The Fair Lawn Youth Canteen began in 1945 at a vacated army barracks on the Columbia Heights field. The group was made up of youths from 13 to 20 years of age and acquired its own building on 20th and Kipp Streets in 1956.

The Youth Center is supervised by a full-time director, Rick Ullrich, who is the Pool Director of Memorial Park during the summer. He is assisted by a committee elected by members of the Youth Center.

Membership at the Center is open to Fair Lawn residents age 13 to 19.

The facilities of the Recreation Department have greatly expanded over the years. There are two swimming pools, the youth center, the Fair Lawn Cultural Center and tennis courts at Memorial Park, the high school, near Thomas Jefferson Junior High School and at Berdan Grove.

The adult Cultural Center is the meeting place of the Art Association, the Old Library Theatre, Sweet Adelines chorus and numerous clubs such as stamp, radio and rocket.

Among the other activities run through the Recreation Department are senior citizens clubs, bowling leagues, softball teams, a film institute, tennis lessons, a camping club, and many other special interest areas. The All-Sports Association, Federated Arts Council and Holiday Celebrations Committee work with the Recreation Department.

Over 50 per cent of the borough's population participates in at least one recreation program, which is the highest percentage of participation in the nation, according to Rolf Hempel, Superintendent of Recreation. The staff, including full-time, part-time and volunteer group leaders exceeds 900.

The Recreation Department has received many commendations for its outstanding and comprehensive program. Memorial Pool is one of the most successful municipal swimming pools in the state and the arts program in Fair Lawn is also highly rated.

Memorial Pool

Each summer, nearly half of Fair Lawn's families sign up for membership at Memorial Pool. Now in its 25th year of operation, what was once a sand and gravel

pit has become a major summer attraction for borough residents.

The borough acquired 33 acres of land adjacent to the Passaic River through tax foreclosures during the Depression. This land was dedicated for park use in about 1940 but it wasn't until 1949 that Memorial Park opened.

Within the area planned as Memorial Park, about five acres had been excavated by the sand company, ranging in depth up to 18 feet. This pit, which was filled with water, was eventually converted into the pool.

The idea for the swimming pool originated with former postmaster Cameron McCurdy and his neighbor, Bill Eaton. McCurdy was especially concerned about drownings which had occurred in the deserted pit.

McCurdy and Eaton asked the Fair Lawn Men's Club for their help in the construction of the park and pool. Eventually every organization in the borough gave its support to the project and in 1948 the Memorial Park Civic Association was formed. The postmaster became its president with Wilson Laforge, vice president; Fred Fox, treasurer and Kathryn Lyle, secretary.

The Civic Association conducted a drive to raise funds and solicit voluntary labor for the construction of the park and pool. Mike Canger, then the borough engineer, persuaded contractors and builders to supply materials, equipment and operators free of charge, and Morris Dobrin led a drive for financial contributions. Thousands of hours of free manpower went into the land clearing and construction of the pool.

On Memorial Day 1949 the entrance to the park was dedicated by the United Organizations of Fair Lawn. The United Organizations was formed during World War II by the 42 service, social, religious, military and fraternal organizations existing in the borough at that time. In addition to their aid to servicemen during the war, they worked for the establishment of the park, which serves as a memorial to all Fair Lawn veterans.

The pool officially opened during the July 4th weekend in 1949, as part of Fair Lawn's Silver Jubilee celebration. There were over 2,500 members that year at the cost of \$10 per family. Although the pool operates on a fee basis (now \$15 per family) it is run under the borough through the Recreation Department.

Memorial Pool's annual membership was about 15,300 persons last year. Its surrounding park has a veterans memorial, picnic areas, playgrounds, tennis courts, softball diamonds, basketball courts, facilities for summer day camps and refreshment stands.

Other Pools

The Borough of Fair Lawn maintains two pools in addition to Memorial Park.

The first is a small, tiled children's facility located on the grounds of the Center Recreation playground which has been in continuous operation each summer for a number of years.

The second is the Helda Walsh Memorial Pool located off Harristown Road in the Columbia Heights

section. Control of this pool was assumed last year by the borough. For the previous 25 years, it was maintained by the Columbia Heights Association, which was responsible for the building of the pool.

The idea for the pool originated with the late Helda Walsh, who saw the need for a place for children to go in the summer and still be supervised. An active member of the Board of Directors of the Fair Lawn Boys Club, this dedicated woman had always been willing to help children in the community.

Mrs. Walsh persuaded the mayor and council to allocate the land for the pool after World War II. A local contractor donated top soil and bulldozers and the manual labor in the construction of the pool was done by volunteer residents.

Many bake sales, newspaper drives, auctions, raffles and barn dances were held by the Columbia Heights group to raise money to buy the necessary equipment for the pool. In 1962 the pool was dedicated to the late Helda Walsh, who served as the driving force behind the project.

The history of the site before it became the swimming pool is quite interesting. At one time water was bottled and sold from a natural spring in that spot. During World War II, American soldiers swam in that water when it was still known as Snyder's Pond.

All Sports

In November 1950, a group of residents expressed interest in forming a sports organization for local youths in the nine to 15 year age bracket.

Led by Frank Bennett, high school football and wrestling coach; Virgil Sasso, high school baseball coach; Dean Scouris, sports columnist of the Fair Lawn News and Monte Weed, superintendent of recreation; the All Sports Association was organized. Today, this active group sponsors 15 athletic programs for youth in the borough.

The All Sports Association was formed as an independent organization working in cooperation with the Recreation Department. The first meeting was attended by 18 men and the first officers to head the Board of Directors were: George Wilms, president; Dean Scouris, vice president; Monte Weed, secretary; and Charles Sullivan, treasurer.

When the All Sports Association began, its members were especially interested in promoting junior football. In the fall of its first year, four light-weight teams and a Junior Cutter (All Star) team were organized on the 7th and 8th grade level.

The lightweight teams played within a league schedule while the Junior Cutters played Boys' Clubs and at orphanages throughout New Jersey and New York State. Home games were attended by the All Sports Auxiliary Cheerleaders and Baton Twirlers.

Also in 1951 Little League Baseball was first sponsored with four teams participating. The All Star team, led by Dean Scouris, won the Passaic-Bergen County tournament sponsored by the Passaic Herald News that year.

The baseball program expanded to six teams which played at a field on the current site of Memorial Junior



MEMORIAL POOL SUPERVISORS. Each summer, swimming programs and supervision of the Memorial Park pool are directed by Liz Giszack, Assistant Pool Supervisor, and Rick Ullrich, Pool Supervisor and Supervisor of the Youth Center.

High School in 1952. By 1954 there were enough teams to split into two leagues of four teams. The football program, according to a newsletter from the Association, was acclaimed by the people of Fair Lawn for the sportsmanlike manner in which it was run and participants were lauded for their ability as well.

Junior League Baseball for boys 13-15 years old was organized in 1954. Junior Basketball was also initiated that year with six teams playing Saturday mornings at the high school gym.

By 1958 there were 16 Little League teams and six Junior League teams under the direction of the All Sports Association. The Farm System (for nine year old boys not in Little League) was established in 1959 with over 700 boys registering. By 1960 there were 28 teams in the Farm System. An Intermediate League was also created in 1960 for 13-year olds.

Members of the All-Sports Association participated in the Lay Committee for the building of a new athletic field for the Senior High School in 1956.

Gymnastics were added to the All Sports program in 1960 for boys and girls from ages 10 through 18. The participants in this activity won first and second place medals in the Junior AAU competition held at Montclair that year.

The program conducted by the All Sports Association now includes Junior Wrestling; Junior Football; 20 Major League baseball teams (former Little League teams); Junior Cheerleading; Blue Sox and Mickey Mantle baseball teams; Farm Leagues; Girls Softball; Junior Basketball and baseball; and a Lacrosse Clinic.

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Camp Carlson

Situated in the rolling foothills of the Pompton Mountain range in Kinnelon, New Jersey, Camp Carlson came into being in 1944 when the Fair Lawn Boy's Club acquired an 89 acre tract from one of the Club's Directors, Carl S. Carlson.

During the early years of the Camp's existence, tent platforms were constructed and camping areas laid out under the supervision of Henry B. "Pop" Milnes, founder of the Fair Lawn Boy's Club with his wife Esther. The camp operated for several years each summer under the supervision of "Pop" Milnes until his death in 1950. The beginning years were marked by improvements to the general site which served Boys' Club members and needy boys from other communities.

Succeeding Henry Milnes as Director was Michael Filippone, a high school teacher. During Filippone's tenure in the 1950's, both campers and local citizens helped build up the camp, constructing five new cabins with monies and labor contributed by the Lions, Elks, Rotary, Men's Clubs and others; building an infirmary; constructing a concrete dam which formed a large pond used for swimming, boating and canoeing and converting an old army barracks into a combined mess and recreation hall.

During the 1950's, up to 60 Fair Lawn boys ranging in age from 8 to 14 attended each of the four two-week camping periods held during July and August for a minimal fee. Personal development of the boys as in-

dividuals and team members was encouraged through an active, competitive program which included inter-cabin softball and volleyball competition (the watermelon league), the division of campers and staff into two indian "tribes" which competed during the two week camping period under the guidance of Chief Running Deer (Mr. Filippone) and his Head Counselor and individual recognition of campers for achievement in cleanliness, table manners, sportsmanship and service.

Campers achieving all four "chevrons" for individual achievement were considered for membership in the camp's Honor Society. Later, a year round club of camp members, the Chieftain's Club, organized and during the winter months worked on various projects and objects used during the summer season, such as the hand-built rowboat, named the Chieftain, which was built in Mr. Filippone's garage.

Inter-camp competitions in softball and water sports were also encouraged. The Camp Carlson teams regularly defeated all challengers in the inter-camp loop.

Under Mr. Filippone's leadership and guidance, a generation of Fair Lawn's youth was taught skills in woodsmanship, sports, archery, riflery, swimming, nature crafts and hiking.

Following Mr. Filippone's retirement as the camp's director, it was turned over to the Board of Education in late 1959 for use in outdoor education. Lacking the skills and dedication of a Henry Milnes or Michael Filip-



CAMPERS AND STAFF. This 1954 photo pictures the Camp Carlson compliment in front of the combination mess and recreation hall. Staff members in the rear row (from left): Bob Stein, Jim Storozuk, Doug Ball, Richard Wasmer, Steve Bowes, Al Petrecca, Richard De Carlo, William Englehardt, Richard Englehardt and Michael Filippone, Director.

pone, the Board returned control of Camp Carlson to the Boy's Club after one camping season and the property was reluctantly sold to the Jersey City Boys' Club in the early 1960's.

Today, used as a day camp, many of the facilities have fallen into disrepair. The five cabins which housed Fair Lawn youth have been surrounded by undergrowth, covering the rock-lined paths, fireplaces and benches which were built, maintained with care and enjoyed by a generation of Fair Lawn boys.

CAMP CARLSON BOUND. Some of the Fair Lawn youth attending camp in 1956 are pictured about to board the old Dodge truck which served Camp Carlson for many years. The photo was taken at the old Municipal Building site.



CHOW TIME. Camp Carlson campers and staff prepare to sample some of Ma Studt's cuisine (pictured at right in kitchen entrance). Mrs. Studt was the camp cook for many years, later succeeded by Gladys Rapp of the high school staff. Also pictured, at the extreme right, is Howard Piatt, head counselor and high school art teacher.



BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS. Seated (from left): Mrs. Florence Koll, Dr. H. Leroy Brininger, vice president; Robert Gyory, president; Thomas J. Cannito, superintendent of schools; Donald A. Fusco, Board secretary; and Reginald Hopkinson, Board attorney. Standing (from left) Philip Mintz, Lewis Sprechman, Harvey Browne, Daniel Frost, L. Barry Tedesco and Emil Margine.

Board of Education

The Fair Lawn School District was voted into existence in 1925 and in 1926 a Board of Education was elected and a budget of \$33,600. was approved.

Formal organization of the first school board took place June 30, 1925 when Frank Knapp was elected president, John Christie, vice president and Robert A. Smith, district clerk. In addition, the following members also served on the first Board of Education: Albert I. Ackerman, Ernest Burke, Floyd Carlough, Harry Jones, William P. Kalff and Cornelius Slinger.

School policy has always been set by the Board of Education, comprised of nine members elected by the taxpayers. In addition to choosing the school board members, voters also decide on an annual school budget and participate in the educational policy-making through lay committees, which have been appointed from time to time through the years to study certain areas related to the schools.

Another important area in which citizens have participated during the past 50 years is the PTA (Parent Teacher Association).

During about the first 20 years of the school system, the Board appointed a supervising principal for the district, but since then a superintendent of schools has been named as the chief administrator.

There have been four superintendents of schools in the history of the Fair Lawn school system: Dr. Elbridge Grover served from 1948-1959; Dr. James Kimple, 1959-1962. Dr. Ralph Osborne, 1962-1966 and Thomas Cannito, the current superintendent has held the position since 1966.

While policies are set by the Board of Education, the actual operation of the school system is under the direction of the superintendent of schools. The school system does not include parochial or private schools located in the borough.

The purpose of the school system is to prepare our children for life. Where 50 years ago, the schools were mainly concerned with preparing the youngsters for an agricultural life, today the Fair Lawn school system concerns itself with maintaining a up-to-date curriculum, bringing in areas such as electronics and computers, which are so much a part of life today.

During the past 50 years, Fair Lawn has met the challenge of providing quality education for a growing population. Now that school enrollments have leveled off and the community has been relieved of the burden of new school construction, it now concentrates on constant improvement of updating of its curriculum and equipment in order to remain a reflection of the present society.



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Fair Lawn's school system has always been an integral part of its history. In fact it was because of a need for more schools that Fair Lawn seceded from Saddle River Township to become a separate borough.

The original schools in this area were probably church schools located in Paramus, Hackensack and surrounding areas during the 17th and 18th centuries.

The first school in the Fair Lawn section of Saddle River Township is believed to have been a one-room stone structure located at George Street and Fair Lawn Avenue. Dutch was probably used at this school rather than English.

Beginning in 1847, Fair Lawn students attended school in the Arcola district.

In 1853 the Bergen Avenue School was built and in 1873 it was repaired and refurbished to accommodate 50 pupils. This is the building which now houses the Board of Education and administrative offices for the school system.

A two-room frame school was built next in 1898 in the Warren Point area. That structure was replaced by a four-room brick building in 1921, becoming the nucleus of the present Warren Point School.

After World War I the population of Fair Lawn grew in several areas. However, two referenda in 1923 for the erection of new schools were defeated. Out of these referenda only the Roosevelt School was built and the need for a school in the Columbia Heights section was sorely felt.



FAIR LAWN SCHOOLS—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF. Front row (from left): Robert Whitehead, Business Assistant; Arthur H. Brotherton, Supervisor, Buildings & Grounds; Charles Lyons, Principal, Lyncrest School; Joseph Ubelhart, Director, Elementary Education; Thomas J. Cannito, Superintendent of Education; Daniel Rothermel, Principal, Senior High School; Frank Montalbano, Principal, Memorial Junior High School; Ruth Lill, Principal, Radburn School; Floyd Smith, Principal, Edison School. Back row: Henrietta Larkin, Payroll Clerk; Eleanore Francis, Certification Clerk; Gloria Duhl, Secretary to Director, Elementary Education; Louise Tanis, Substitute Clerk; Gladys Glassman, Office Manager; Paul Christie, Assistant Supervisor, Buildings & Grounds; William Rothenberg, Principal, Warren Point School & Annex; Henry Bernhardt, Principal, Forrest School; Elmer Campbell, Principal, Westmoreland School; Thomas A. Szymczak, Principal, Milnes School; Christine Muhlenbruch, Clerk; Doris Bourhill, Accounting Assistant; Beatrice Schwartz, Secretary; and Claire Gauer, Secretary.



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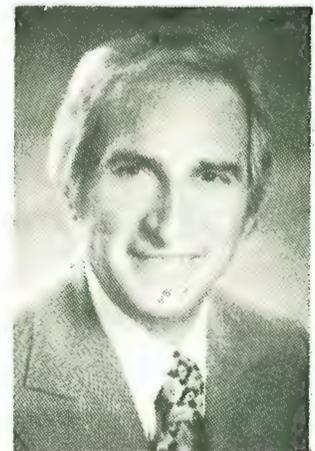
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It was these referenda defeats which prompted the move to form a separate borough the following year. On April 5, 1924 this separation was approved by the voters of the district.

PERIOD OF GROWTH

The time from 1940 to 1960 marked Fair Lawn's most rapid period of growth in its school system. In 1940 there were 1,359 children in grades kindergarten to eight and in 1960 more than 8,000 were enrolled and a high school had been added by that time.

From five elementary schools in 1940, the borough went to nine elementary schools, two junior high schools and a senior high school by 1960.

Until 1943, Fair Lawn students had been attending high school in Paterson, Ridgewood or Hawthorne. It was in that year that a six-year high school was constructed.

From 1947 to 1949 a study of Fair Lawn's school needs in accordance with its projected population growth was conducted. Lay committees were also organized to assist in the task.

Construction was started in 1951 when the Milnes School was built. About that time, schools were becoming so overcrowded that several of them went on the double sessions and some district boundaries were revised to redistribute the pupil burden.

In 1952, when the high school faced the possibility of triple sessions, a \$2.4 million bond issue for a junior high school was brought before the voters and was defeated. A referendum for the Lyncrest elementary school was also included.

Following the defeat, a Citizens School Committee was formed which obtained some 6,000 signatures asking the Board of Education to resubmit the issue for a junior high school. This was approved by a narrow margin and in 1953 Thomas Jefferson Junior High School opened. At that time the senior high school was converted to a three-year school.

From 1952 to 1954 referenda for the construction of Lyncrest School, Memorial Junior High School and Edison elementary school were passed. An addition to the high school was built in 1957 and additions have been made to the Milnes, Radburn, Roosevelt, Warren Point and Thomas Jefferson schools throughout the years.

Westmoreland School was built in 1957 and Warren Point Annex was added in 1958. Elementary schools reached their peak enrollments in 1958 but the junior high schools did not reach their peak until 1964 and the senior high school until 1968.

In 1959, the George Washington School on Bergen Avenue was converted into offices for the Board of Education. About five years ago, classes were moved out of the Lincoln School and it is now being used for special education classes, the planetarium and a teaching aids center.

The last addition to a school was made in 1963 at

the senior high school. Recently relocatables were purchased instead of constructing permanent additions.

SUMMER SCHOOL

The Fair Lawn Summer School offers make-up, enrichment and new credit courses to students from grade four through the high school.

The summer program first began with music classes in 1944 and was expanded during the 1950's to include enrichment courses in special areas of interest which are usually not offered during the school year. Remedial reading courses were also conducted during the 1950's.

Although at the beginning the summer school, which is free to Fair Lawn residents, was purely non-credit enrichment courses, eventually make-up courses were added for students who failed certain courses during the school year.

In about 1960 the directors tried to get away from the stigma that summer school is only for failing students, according to Virgil Sasso, director since 1961. Additional enrichment courses were instituted and in about 1966 new credit courses were offered.

Among the enrichment courses which have been added throughout the years are art, science, creative writing and reading and math improvement classes and a study clinic for junior and senior high school students. Some of the courses which can be elected for new credit are Chemistry, Biology, French II, American History, Auto Mechanics, Electronics and Graphic Arts.

HOW WERE SCHOOLS NAMED?

How did Fair Lawn's schools get their names?

The namesakes of the Thomas Edison, Lincoln, Thomas Jefferson and the old George Washington School are of course, these famous Americans.

Several of the schools are named for the neighborhoods in which they are located. The Warren Point School and Annex are named for that southeastern portion of Fair Lawn. The name "Warren Point" was given by Thomas Barbour who settled in that section in the 1800's.

Radburn School received its title from the planned community of Radburn, in which it is situated. However, not only Radburn residents attend the school. The name of Lyncrest School comes from the area it is adjacent to, which got its name from a man named Thomas Lynch, who owned much of the property and had an estate in that area. Memorial Junior High School is located next to Memorial Park.

The former Roosevelt School was renamed the John A. Forrest School in 1972. Forrest served as principal of the school for many years and was an educator in Fair Lawn for over 42 years before retiring in 1972.

Milnes School is named after the late Henry B. Milnes, a long-time resident and leader in the community. Known as "Pop" Milnes, he founded Fair Lawn's Boys' Club in 1937 and directed it through the 1940's.

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Fair Lawn Community School



ADVISORY COUNCIL, COMMUNITY SCHOOL. Front row (from left) Selma Mintz, Recording Secretary; David S. Kimmel, Director, Community School; Dr. Edward Pine, President; Harvey Herman, Vice President. Second row: Lois Polhemus, Midge Boardman, Diane Blumberg. Third row: Ira Mitchell, Max W. Pine, Louis Bentejac, Ray DeLucia, Lou Miceli, Don Brossman. Not present for photo: Emily DeGise, The Rev. Theodore Lawson, Charles Honig.

An Adult School was organized in 1950 by a group of interested citizens who felt there was a need for continuing education offered by the borough. They asked the Fair Lawn Board of Education to co-sponsor classes and the Fair Lawn Adult School came into being.

Today it is known as the Fair Lawn Community School because, through the years, the total community has come to be involved in its programs. The school is self-sustaining and operates on a fee basis and through state aid.

The School is administered by the Board of Education which approves the courses and supplies the facilities. The Board also appoints the Community School Council, made up of 15 people who live or work in the borough. Members of the Council serve three-year terms and assist in planning, registering students and evaluating and expanding the school's programs.

In its first year of operation, the Adult School offered 16 classes, mostly for leisure enjoyment, although there were some academic courses. The enrollment in the Spring semester of 1951 was 305.

Classes are now held at the high school, several

other schools, the Arts Center, the Youth Center and the Library.

David Kimmel became the school's first full-time director in 1965 and still serves in that capacity.

The complement of courses offered at the school has been expanded year after year and today more than 200 courses are offered each semester and enrollments each year top 6000.

The Community School has developed from the original Adult School concept of leisure courses to academic, vocational-skills, high school equivalency and university credit courses. Many out-of-towners are attracted by the school's diverse program, considered to be one of the most comprehensive in the state.

The school's success can be attributed to the highly qualified teaching staff and diversified course offerings to meet the community's needs.

Today, the aim of the Community School is to provide an all-encompassing continuing education program for the entire community from pre-schoolers to senior citizens.



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THE COMBINED CLERGY. Front row (from left): Mr. James L. Finney, Church of Christ; Rev. Arten Ashjian, St. Leon's Armenian Church; Rev. Richard Camp, Van Riper-Ellis Memorial Baptist Church; Rev. Theodore Lawson, Warren Point Presbyterian Church. Second row (from left): Rev. Henry Loeber, Our Savior Lutheran Church; Rev. William Klettke, Our Savior Lutheran Church; Rev. Paul Mitchell, Church in Radburn; Rev. James Smith, Fair Lawn Bible Church; Rev. Dennis Johnson, Grace Orthodox Presbyterian Church. Third row (from left): Rev. Theodore Cavanaugh, O.F.M., St. Anne's Church; Rabbi Simon Glustrom, Fair Lawn Jewish Center; Rabbi Stanley Bramnick, Congregation B'nai Israel; Rev. Theodore Chandler, Berdan Heights Reformed Church; Rabbi Robert Aronowitz, Temple Beth Sholom. Absent: William Crist, Columbia Heights Community Church; Rev. Alfred Niese, Episcopal Church of the Atonement; Rev. Dwight Gregory, Free Methodist Fellowship; Rev. Samuel Priestley, Jr., Fair Lawn Reformed Church; Rabbi Benjamin Yudin, Orthodox Congregation and Rabbi Selig Salkowitz, Temple Avoda.

Berdan Heights Reformed Church

The Berdan Heights Reformed Church can trace its history back to a Sunday School class in a private home on Norwood Drive in 1949.

The church was officially incorporated on June 5, 1953. The congregation is a part of the Reformed Church in America, the oldest Protestant denomination with a continuous ministry in this country.

The Rev. Joseph C. Holbrook, Jr. was the first pastor, serving from 1952 to 1957; the Rev. J. Gary Aitken served the church from 1958 to 1966; the Rev. Donald D. Barnes from 1966 to 1969 and the Rev. Theodore L. Chandler is the current pastor.

Regular worship services are conducted each Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. The Sunday School continues to form a most vital part of the witness of the church in the community. The school meets weekly at 9:30 a.m. Youth Fellowship is also conducted each Sunday evening.

Bible study, prayer and fellowship is offered each Tuesday evening. Among the groups affiliated with the church are the Ladies' Group and the Couples Club.





The Vander Plaat Colonial Home was originally established in Fair Lawn in 1930, located in Fair Lawn Center. As Fair Lawn expanded, the Vander Plaat Colonial Home found that it needed more room, and in 1946 plans to relocate were begun. As a result of these plans, the Colonial Funeral Home was built in 1948 and was especially designed to provide every modern convenience, including year-round air conditioning.

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Church of Christ

In 1959, a local congregation of the Church of Christ was formed in Fair Lawn at the corner of Plaza Road and Morlot Avenue. A group had been meeting in various places in the general area until it purchased the property where the church now stands.

Since its first meeting in the borough, the church has grown steadily and has been able to do good work. The church is self-supporting from contributions of the local assembly each Sunday. Current weekly attendance is about 80.

Mr. James L. Finney serves as evangelist at present. In addition to supporting Mr. Finney in the local work, the congregation has supported Glenn Jones for almost two years. He will be going to Germany to preach this year.

Fay Starr had preached to the group for about three years. The Finney family moved to Fair Lawn in 1959

after having worked in Nigeria for two years. About four years ago, an addition was made to the building and air conditioning was added.



Congregation B'nai Israel

Congregation B'nai Israel of Fair Lawn was founded in October, 1953, to fill the need for a conveniently located synagogue for Conservative Jewish families residing in the Warren Point area of Fair Lawn and the adjoining part of Saddle Brook. During the initial years, religious services were held weekly at members' homes and High Holy Day services took place at some of the larger public facilities including Warren Point School.

The first goal of the young congregation was the acquisition of land for the building of the synagogue, an endeavor soon crowned with success with the purchase of the site at Thirtieth Street and the corner of Pine Avenue. May of 1956 saw the ground breaking ceremonies which initiated the construction of the lower level of the congregation's present building, which was used for the first time during the observance of Jewish New Year in the fall of that year. As the membership continued to increase, sparked by the rapidly growing population of the borough, families from all parts of Fair Lawn joined to tax the facilities to their limit. In 1959 it became necessary to add the second level to the building, and to convert part of the original structure to perma-

nent classrooms to accommodate the ever-growing number of children enrolled in the Hebrew School. Except for the installation of air conditioning (1963) and a major refurbishing of the main sanctuary (1965) no large scale changes have been undertaken since.

The congregation, which at the present numbers about 300 families, is under the spiritual leadership of Rabbi Stanley Bramnick, who has occupied the pulpit since 1958. Cantor Irving Weisberger joined the congregation in his cantorial capacity during 1967.

In addition to the religious functions, a wide range of social, cultural and educational needs of member families are being fulfilled through the activities of the Sisterhood and the Men's Club, three youth groups encompassing the ages of nine through eighteen years, a varied program of Adult Jewish Education, and the Hebrew School for children of seven through thirteen.

Congregation B'nai Israel is affiliated with the Fair Lawn Jewish Community Council, the Jewish Federation of North Jersey, and the United Synagogue of America, the central national organization of Conservative Judaism in this country.



"Our Town" celebrates its 50th birthday this year; it seems like only yesterday — May, 1924 — when the decision to secede from Saddle River township was made. Despite opposition from area farmers who feared new tax assessments, a referendum was held and the borough of Fair Lawn was sanctioned by a legislative act. The borough acquired its name from the former estate of David Depuyster Acker, whose beautiful lawn stretched from Gardiner Road to Fair Lawn Avenue. For years to follow, the Acker mansion served



as the Borough Hall and Library. Shortly thereafter, with the growth of the community, came the birth of the Fair Lawn Building and Loan Association.

At the time the nation was commending Charles A. Lindbergh for his transatlantic achievement, Mayor Robert A. Smith and twelve prominent citizens were organizing the Fair Lawn Building and Loan Association. Who would have foreseen that the old Bergen Schoolhouse would be the roots of what Columbia is today? The fertile production and expansion of the borough had just begun — in 1929 plans for the building of Radburn as a planned community received national recognition and represented a thirty per cent increase in housing. Unfortunately, as a result of the depression, original plans for the project were never completed.



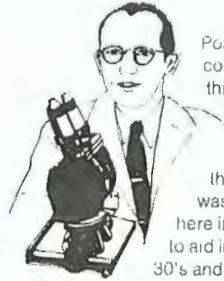
In spite of the crippling depression Fair Lawn Building and Loan continued to grow and meet the needs of the community. Larger offices were established at the Kuikon Brothers Lumber Company to better serve the public. To maintain this level of ser-

vice and expansion, membership to the Federal Home Loan Bank was applied for in 1933. Following its acceptance the need for an insurance program for savings accounts was realized; approval was received in 1937.

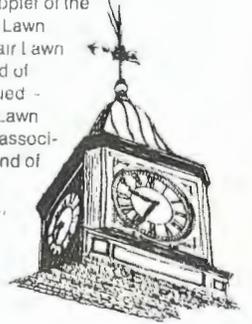
Throughout this unsteady period, rich contributions to civic life were evident through the successful police department, volunteer fire department, the creation of civic organizations and plans for a totally independent school system. Soon afterwards plans were executed for Fair Lawn's own high school.

With the ravages of war upon the nation, great changes and periods of adjustment occurred. We reflected these changes and adjustments — Fair Lawn-based corporations converted their plants to supply desperately needed war materials to the government. Both men and women of the borough were hired to aid in this task for national defense. They not only gave their time and money, but their lives as well. Thirty-eight of our citizens died for their country.

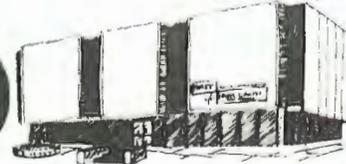
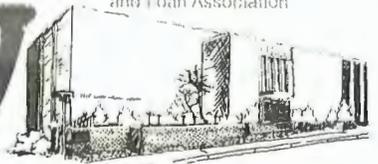
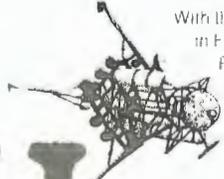
In an effort to rally hope and encourage continued growth, our association changed its name to the First Savings and Loan Association of Fair Lawn. This growth was exemplified in the expansion of the "new" association to additional offices at the corner of River Road and Fair Lawn Avenue. Dedicated on the eve of Pearl Harbor, the new building again furthered the quest to serve and meet the needs of the public.



Post-war attitude was jubilant to say the least. The community's awareness and growth had only begun to thrive. During the fifties, the local hospital association was created, new postal facilities opened, Industrial Park construction had commenced, opening new horizons for residents and economic prosperity for the community. Nationwide, Jonas Salk's polio vaccine was the scientific breakthrough of the decade — right here in Fair Lawn a community chest drive was organized to aid in the destruction of the crippling of the 30's and 40's. And once again Fair Lawn witnessed the construction of new Fair Lawn Savings and Loan offices as the trend of growth and prosperity continued — this time at the corner of Fair Lawn Avenue and Plaza Road. The association, in keeping with their trend of service to the community, extended to their customers G.I., FHA and Home Improvement Loans.



With the sixties came the era of space exploration. Right here in Fair Lawn things were skyrocketing as well. The Industrial Park was completed and we witnessed the construction and dedication of the Fair Lawn Free Public Library as well as the formation of still more civic organizations. Fair Lawn Savings and Loan grew as well with the establishment of a trailer office in 1964 at the busy intersection of Plaza Road and Broadway servicing customers for three years. The trailer office was replaced by an impressive contemporary building. The building was recognized nationally as one of the most modern and finest facilities of its kind. Again, to enhance the spirit of change and multi-community growth, we changed our name to Columbia Savings and Loan Association.



Columbia, by any name, has continually sought to better serve our customers. We aspire to be a people oriented banking association, and are proud of our heritage and participation in the growth of the community. In this 50th anniversary year, we pay personal tribute to the Fair Lawn community and look forward to maintaining our record of service and growth.

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Episcopal Church of the Atonement

It all began on a spring afternoon in March, 1942, and it began very humanly.

Three hundred and fifty post cards had been sent to Fair Lawn residents announcing that an Episcopal service would be held at 3:00 in the afternoon in the Warren Point Firehouse. How many came? No one—no one at all. By 3:45, still not a soul had arrived. The Rev. Harold N. Cutler, the clergyman who had announced the service, recalled recently, "I was for giving the whole project up."

At ten minutes to four, however, a little girl, Marie Casler, showed up. The parson's wife greeted her. Marie asked, "Is this where you learn about Jesus?" Mrs. Cutler replied in the affirmative and later inquired, "Have you any brothers?" "I do," Marie said, "but they're off fishing for trout. They won't catch any, though. Their hooks are too big for trout."

It was at this point that the Rev. Mr. Cutler intervened: "I have plenty of trout hooks." (The minister fished regularly in the Saddle River.) "Bring your brothers to church next week and I'll give them some." Mr. Cutler proved to be a fisherman in the New Testament sense as well, for next Sunday 52 children arrived at the firehouse-church—most of them for the promised fish hooks.

A few of the children returned in succeeding weeks with their parents, and in the old Warren Point Firehouse, a church was born with the help of a little girl, some fish hooks, and a parson not ashamed to use worldly methods to bring people to the worship of Almighty God.

The Rev. Mr. Cutler was the rector of St. Peter's Church, Rochelle Park. He had agreed with the Episcopal Bishop of Newark, Benjamin Washburn, to take responsibility for starting a mission in Fair Lawn. Now a retired widower living in Newton, Mr. Cutler still preaches on Sundays, and the story of Marie and the trout hooks remains among his favorite illustrations.

From such modest beginnings, the parish grew in size. bought property and built first a small church

(1944) and later the present building (1957). Literally thousands of Christians of all ages have worshipped and "learned about Jesus," the Law and the Prophets within the walls of the two buildings.

The original church, which still stands on the corner of 30th and Rosalie Streets, was the only Episcopal church built in Bergen County during the war. Erected in 1944 under OPA restrictions by a handful of families, the church cost \$5,000. (Mr. Cutler recalls that Bishop Washburn himself intervened in a building controversy over whether or not the proposed church should include a lavatory!)

The first resident vicar was the Rev. Clarence Sickles. Arriving in 1949, Fr. Sickles saw a kitchen, classroom, and (finally) a lavatory added on to the original church structure. The Rev. Sickles is today Executive Director of a Senior Citizens community in Hackettstown, Heath Village.

In 1952, the Rev. Philip C. Pearson left retirement to become vicar until his death in 1955. A personal friend of Bishop Washburn, Fr. Pearson led the church with authority and a genuine spirituality through a period of rapid growth.

Under the Rev. Thomas Foster, a Rutgers pitcher who turned down a Yankee farm club offer to go to seminary, the present church building was constructed alongside the original church. Fr. Foster is today rector of St. Paul's Church, Modesto, California.

The mission church achieved independent parish status in 1964 under the Rev. Marshall T. Rice, the next rector. In 1967, Fr. Rice left to become rector of Christ Church, Ridgewood, and was succeeded by the present rector, the Rev. Alfred M. Niese, Jr., who had been on the staff of Trinity Cathedral, Newark.

The strength of the Church of the Atonement may fairly be said to reside in its lay people. Scattered throughout a variety of neighborhoods, occupations, and community involvements, the lay people *are* the Church. Without them, each trying in his own way to be a Christian, the buildings would have no meaning.



Church In Radburn

The earliest days of the Church in Radburn began in a conversation between secretaries of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America executives of the City Housing Corporation and clergymen interested in this new community. This was the Autumn of 1928. These conversations finally resulted in the organization in September, 1929 of an official body for the church entitled "The Council of Religion for Radburn", made up of representatives from Radburn and the cooperating church groups. Five communions accepted the invitation to participate in this church: Episcopal, Presbyterian, Reformed, Methodist and Congregational. This movement attracted wide attention as a new plan for churching a community.

The first Sunday service was held October 6, 1929 in the assembly room of the Plaza Building. At Christmas time the choir was started and in January, 1930 the Sunday School opened its first session with 34 pupils. An Administration Church Board was chosen in December, 1930 and the Woman's Society was organized in the Spring of 1931.

In 1932 the Church took over the responsibility for its own financial welfare starting with a small budget commensurate with its small beginnings. At the end of 1935 the Rev. Deane Edwards who had played an important role in planning the original church set-up left Fair Lawn and the church gave a unanimous call to the Rev. Peter Apelian.

Ground was broken for the present church building in 1948 and the congregation held its first services there the following year.

In the mid-fifties an educational building was constructed containing 20 classrooms, chapel and parlor. This building was named in memory of Rev. & Mrs. Peter Apelian. In the ensuing years the Church in Radburn has seen interest and attendance fluctuate with the



times. At the present time growth is once more being seen. Since the early fifties this congregation has been served by Mr. Peter Apelian, Mr. Charles McConnell and Mr. Mott Cumby. In May of 1973 Mr. Paul (Pete) Mitchell became the Senior Minister of this ecumenical and inter-faith congregation.

This congregation has always tried to serve the needs of the community. At present discussions are being held to more fully understand the needs of the Senior Citizens in the community. More recently the front steps and sidewalks were replaced by a ramp especially designed and constructed in order for those persons with handicaps to have an easy access into the sanctuary for worship.

Columbia Heights Community Church

The Columbia Heights Community Church is situated on the North West corner of the Borough of Fair Lawn, adjacent to Hawthorne on the West and Glen Rock



on the North. The community seems to be separated from the rest of the borough and has one church in its midst, namely "The Columbia Heights Community Church."

In January 1925, it was felt that a Sunday School was needed in this particular area of the borough. Some of the women of the neighborhood, Mrs. W. Drake, Mrs. A. Morrison, Mrs. H. Shannon, Mrs. J. Hyslop, Mrs. C. Greening, Mrs. J. Dupree, Mrs. W. Kober, Mrs. F. Messinger, opened the Sunday School on January 17, 1925 with 50 persons present. The place of meeting was the Firehouse at the corner of Loretto and Heights Avenues. At the opening sessions of the Sunday School, Dr. S. Babcock was elected Leader, Mr. Charles Greening Superintendent; Mr. W. Drake, Assistant Superintendent; H. T. Shannon, Secretary; Mr. J. Hyslop, Treasurer.

The Sunday School grew to such proportions that it was decided to erect their own building and to hold regular services.

In August of 1926, ground was broken and the building was started. Mayor R. Smith of the borough laid the cornerstone with a group of ministers participat-

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By retaining many of the plant's highly skilled employees, Unifoil was able to begin production immediately and at the same time reduce operating costs by drawing on the experience of supervisors and employees alike.

The company produces foil laminations, the bonding of aluminum and paper. This process provides packagers with an attractive and eye-striking material from which they can manufacture such products as labels, greeting cards, wall paper, card stock and packaging.

Unifoil has expanded and refined the laminating process to the production of high quality foil laminations of varying weight, length and color. Recently a new laminating machine was added to the plant inventory at an approximate cost of \$500,000. This machine, capable of laminating at a speed of 1000 feet per minute, enables Unifoil to produce laminations up to 65 inches wide.

Producing high quality laminations is a difficult and painstaking operation which requires continuous scrutiny to insure uniformity of the product. Large rolls of paper and aluminum foil are simultaneously unrolled, and fed into the laminator. A series of rollers provide a constant precise tension on both paper and aluminum to prevent folds or wrinkles from rendering the finished product unuseable. Paper and aluminum are changed to meet the varying weight specifications of each order. Weights may range from 20 pound paper to 30 point cardboard. In the laminator, the aluminum is coated with an adhesive before being rolled onto the paper stock. Bonding of the paper and aluminum is by far the most critical stage of the laminating process. The adhesive must be evenly applied and cover the entire surface to be bonded. Pressures must be uniform and exact to create a bond that will not blister or separate later. Moisture content of the paper must be controlled and varied for each paper weight to prevent the final product from curling or warping due to moisture absorption.

Following the bonding process, the aluminum is given a coating of lacquer to make the surface receptive to printer's ink. The material is then routed through an oven which cures the bonding adhesive, cementing the paper and aluminum into one sheet.

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Mr. Donald J. Alois, President of the Unifoil Corporation.

source of pollution as a fuel, thereby conserving large quantities of natural gas which would otherwise be used in the heating stage of production. Other residues of the laminating process which would be pollutant are burned in the incinerator, which maintains a temperature of 1400 degrees. Unifoil is a company concerned with the environment, and has taken every precaution to eliminate forms of pollution in keeping with federally established regulations.

When the laminating process has been completed, the result is a roll some 65 inches wide and thousands of yards long. According to the specifications of the order, this roll will be cut into two 30 inch rolls, or fed into a sheeting machine which cuts the lamination in sheets of equal length and stacks them for trimming.

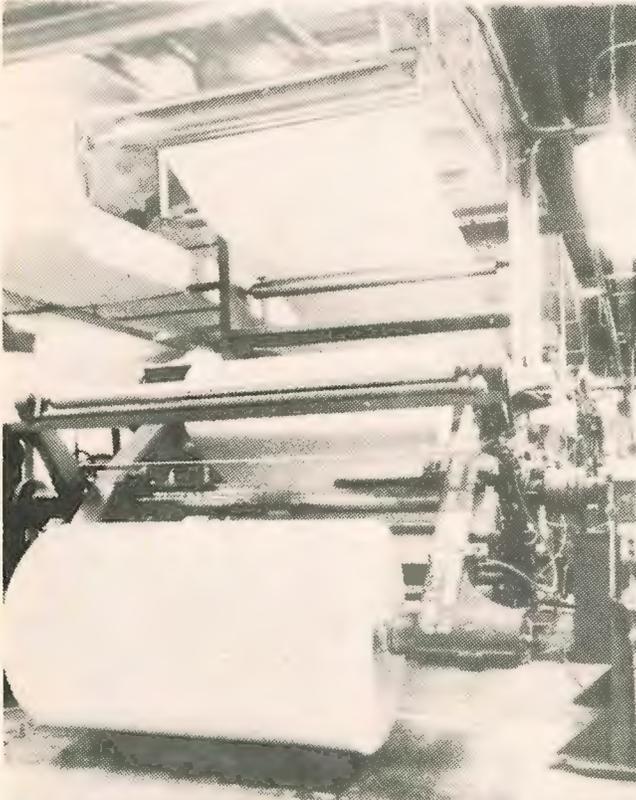
A guillotine knife completes the trimming by removing excess paper or aluminum from the sides of the lamination, producing a straight edge. This hydraulically driven knife compresses hundreds of sheets of laminated foil before cutting them to an equal and exact size.

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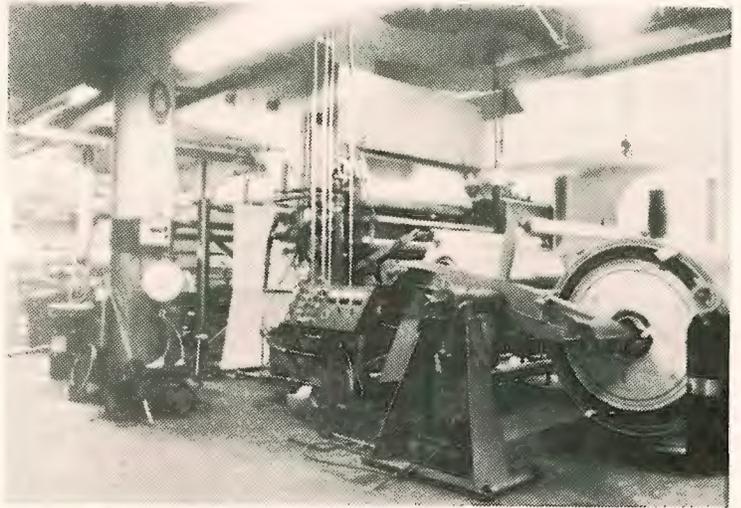
Management has reduced waste and operating costs by producing products such as wrapping paper, cap liners and party hats from materials that cannot be utilized for other orders because of lower than acceptable quality.

The quality of Unifoil products is indicated by the increases the company has made in sales and area of distribution. Unifoil now serves customers in South America, Europe and Asia, as well as the United States.

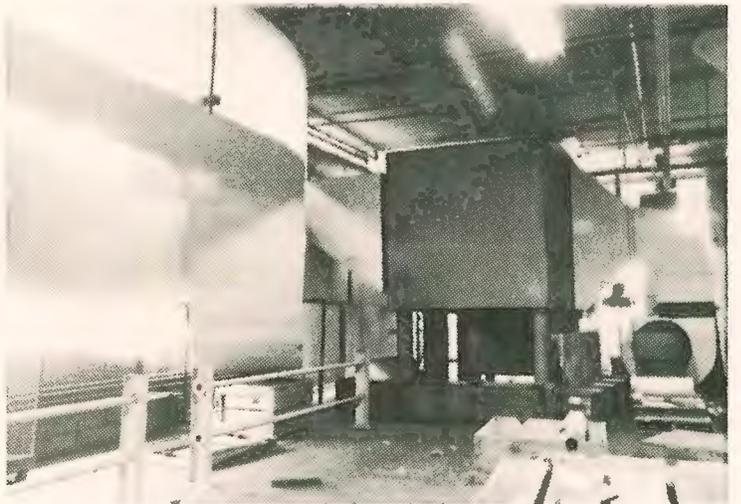
Unifoil's expectations for the future are sound. They intend to further increase sales while maintaining the high standards of quality in product and service that have brought them to the forefront of their industry. In doing so, Unifoil fully expects to continue their responsible attitude toward the environment, and their concern for the community of which they are a part.



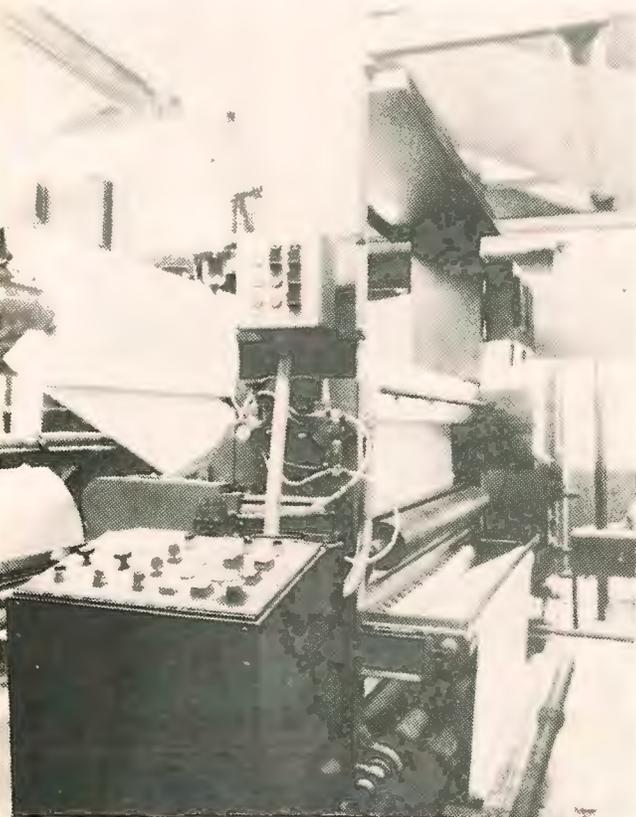
Paper unwind station feeds paper from roll to laminating machine.



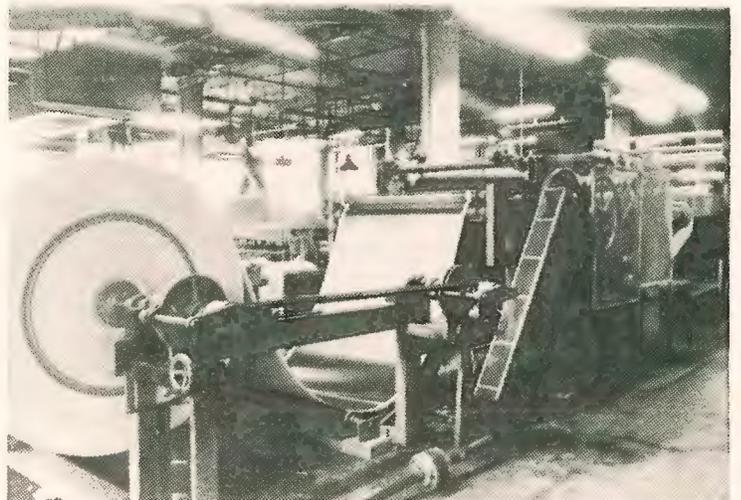
Above, lamination exits the oven stage and is rolled by the final stage of the laminating machine to await trimming.



Incinerator and heat return system provide heat for the oven stage of the laminator which solidifies the bonding cement.



Rollers free aluminum and paper of folds or wrinkles; above, lamination is directed toward the oven.



Sheeting machine unrolls completed lamination and cuts it to desired sizes.

ing. On September 11, 1927, regular church services were begun with Mr. Turnbull as the preacher. In the Fall of 1928, Mr. Yoemans became the Pastor for evening services. Other Pastors of the Church were Rev. Thompson, Rev. Ten Hoeve, Mr. M. Hartly, Rev. R. P. Camp who occupied the pulpit in 1936. In January 1940, Rev. M. Schilde became the Pastor of the Church. Rev. Donald K. Balfour became the Pastor of the Church in July of 1947. Rev. Jerry Van Der Veen followed as Pastor and Rev. Leonard Siff was Pastor of the Church in 1955. Rev. William Crist, the present Pastor, commenced his ministry in the church in 1964.

The services of the church at the present time consist of Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday morning with classes for all ages; Miss Lillian Crist, Superintendent. Choir practice every Sunday morning at 9 a.m. with Mrs. Vergie French as director who is the church organist and minister of music. Rev. William Crist also conducts an Adult Bible Class each Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. There is a Bible Study and Prayer Meeting each Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the church basement for the youth conducted by William Zimmerman. The Christian Women's Society of the church meets in the church basement at 7:30 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month from September through May. Bible Club is conducted Saturday mornings by Miss Kathy McCrum at 11 a.m.

Jehovah's Witnesses

Jehovah's Witnesses from Fair Lawn and surrounding communities meet for Sunday services at the Kingdom Hall on Saddle River Road.



Fair Lawn Reformed Church



The Fair Lawn Reformed Church was officially organized by the Classis of Paramus, Reformed Church in America, on June 25, 1950. The initial step in its formation, however, was taken on March 6, 1949, with a meeting at a private residence under the guidance of the Rev. Robert A. Geddes, Field Secretary, Church Extension, Particular Synod of New Jersey, who was sent into this area seeking out people interested in starting a church.

On April 3, 1949, the first service was held in the Warren Point School, the congregation's center of worship for the next three and one-half years. In the fall of 1951 ground was broken for the church building which now stands at 39-23 Fair Lawn Avenue. Its cornerstone was laid April 27, 1952, the first worship service was held there on October 5 of that year, and the edifice was formally dedicated to God the next month, on November 30. A new parsonage, adjacent to the church, was completed in the summer of 1968. The old one was on Hedman Place, several blocks away.

In the formative years, the Rev. Geddes and students from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary occupied the pulpit until a call as the first pastor was accepted by the Rev. Harold Schadewald. He was installed November 9, 1951 and served until the summer of 1958. His successor was the Rev. Roy W. Wagoner. Installed November 30, 1958, he was the pastor until November of 1964.

The current minister of the church, which since its organization by the Classis of Paramus, has come under the jurisdiction of the Classis of Bergen, is the Rev. Samuel M. Priestley, Jr., installed March 21, 1965.

Fair Lawn Bible Church

The Fair Lawn Bible Church, located on the corner of 11th Street and Hopper Avenue was chartered on September 3, 1930, as the First Baptist Church of Fair Lawn, and on that same day elected Mr. Henry R. Luce, Mr. Lucas Kuiken, and Mr. Nicholas Roper, all of Fair Lawn, as trustees. Since its inception the church has been, and continues to be, an independent fellowship, Baptist in policy and practice, holding forth the orthodox fundamentals of the historic Christian faith derived from the confidence that the Bible is the Divinely inspired, inerrant Word of God.

The name of the church was changed to the present one on June 2, 1953. The church is a member of the Independent Fundamental Churches of America and emphasizes the necessity of a personal faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and the spreading of the gospel message throughout the entire world. The fellowship supports six missionary families in Japan, Eastern Europe, Holland, Mexico, Zaire and Argentina as well as three home missionary organizations in this country.

The Rev. James J. Smith has been pastor of the church since June of 1961 and is the tenth pastor since the church was founded.

In 1971 the church finished a building expansion program which added four class rooms, a Sunday School office, and increased seating capacity in the church. In

addition, a spacious choir loft was installed in memory of Mr. William Talsma and a missionary map in memory of Mr. Harold Quadland. The outside of the building was completely modernized and a long-desired steeple was installed in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hoefle. Also in 1971 a new Lowry, fully transistorized organ was installed in memory of Mrs. Olive Sampson.



Fair Lawn Jewish Center

The first synagogue in Fair Lawn, the Fair Lawn Jewish Center, located on Norma Avenue, was built in 1950.

Prior to that time, about 1940, there were only 10 or 12 Jewish families in the borough. Today, there are an estimated 2800 Jewish families in the borough.

The Fair Lawn Jewish Center was an outgrowth of an earlier formed Men's Progress Club, Women's Progress Club and Jewish Community Council. Plans for the building of the Jewish Center began in 1945 but it wasn't until 1950 that the building was constructed.

The first services were held at the Jewish Center in September, 1950 for the High Holidays. Rabbi Simon Glustrom has served as the spiritual leader of the congregation since it began. The post of executive director was established later as the congregation grew. A 35-member Board of Directors and officers composed of

members help run the synagogue.

An addition to the Jewish Center was made in 1958 and another new portion was completed in 1972. A religious school has been conducted since the synagogue began in 1950 and students from the Jewish Center also participate in the regional Hebrew High School.

From about 300 families in 1950, the membership has grown to about 850 families.

Among the groups associated with the Jewish Center are the Men's Progress Club, the Sisterhood, the United Synagogue Youth, and Atid, a college-age group.

The Jewish Community Council, which coordinates the activities of all Jewish organizations in Fair Lawn and serves as a spokesman for these groups, has its offices in the Jewish Center. Other organizations such as B'nai B'rith and the American Jewish Congress, operate out of the Center.



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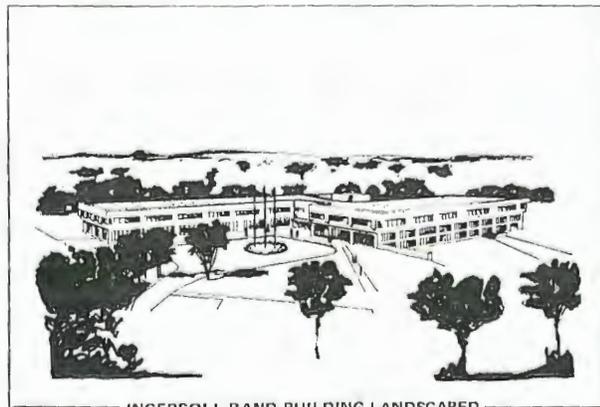
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Our Savior Lutheran Church

The history of Our Savior Lutheran Church begins even before the founding date of 1940. It begins in the years before World War II when more and more Lutheran families were moving into Bergen County from New York City and Hudson County. Seeing the phenomenal growth potential of this area the Atlantic District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod decided the time was right for a Lutheran Church to begin serving Lutheran families and giving witness to the Word of God to the entire Fair Lawn community.

And so it came about that on Sunday, September 29, 1940 a small group of men, women and children entered the old firehouse on Broadway near Hartley Place—made available through the kindness of the Fair Lawn Volunteer Fire Company No. 3, for their first worship service. Soon afterwards Rev. Egbert Dunker accepted the challenge to be Pastor of the new mission church. In the years that followed Pastor Dunker patiently and skillfully knitted together a sizeable congregation. On March 13, 1942 the church was incorporated under the laws of the State of New Jersey as Our Savior Lutheran Church. By October of that year the church purchased the firehouse and converted it into a house of worship, installing stained glass windows and worship center.

With the end of World War II in 1945 and economic prosperity, people were in a position to approach their daily problems with more confidence than in the uncertain war years. The church prospered and grew in membership and by January of 1947 the church was self-supporting, no longer needing financial assistance from the national denomination. In March of 1947 plans were made to erect a new church building. The present church was dedicated in December, 1952. It was renovated with special emphasis placed on remodeling the chancel area for the 25th Anniversary of the church in 1965.

The membership of the church has steadily increased. In 1941 there were 45 communicant members. After 10 years it had grown to 281, after 20 years to 711 and in 1974 there are 850 communicant members and 1400 members who have been baptized. To meet the needs of expanded membership, particularly in the area of Christian Education, a Parish House was built on Hartley Place. It holds a gymnasium, a coffee kitchen and 7 classrooms for Sunday School and Vacation Bible School.

The Pastoral leadership of the church was transferred in 1959 from Pastor Dunker when he moved to New Hampshire. Reverend Henry A. Loeber was installed in 1960 as Pastor and spiritual leader of the growing church. In 1955 the congregation increased its Pastoral care by calling a Seminary student to intern for one year as part of their ministerial education. In 1973 the church decided to move forward to call a second Pastor instead of a student intern. In September, 1973, Reverend William R. Klettke was installed as Assistant Pastor.

The latest addition to the physical property of the church was the corner parcel of land purchased in 1970 from Alex and Charles Gorga. It now provides ample parking for all worship services.

The congregation of Our Savior Lutheran Church has keenly felt the need to provide Christian education for all children and adults, thus allowing people to make the difficult decision of life with a solid background of what God would have us do. The church has provided a Nursery School for 3 and 4 year old children for many years. It allows children to learn to associate with others and opens their awareness of themselves as a child of God. A Vacation Bible School for 3 year olds to fifth grade students is run during the summer to bring God's word to children of the community.





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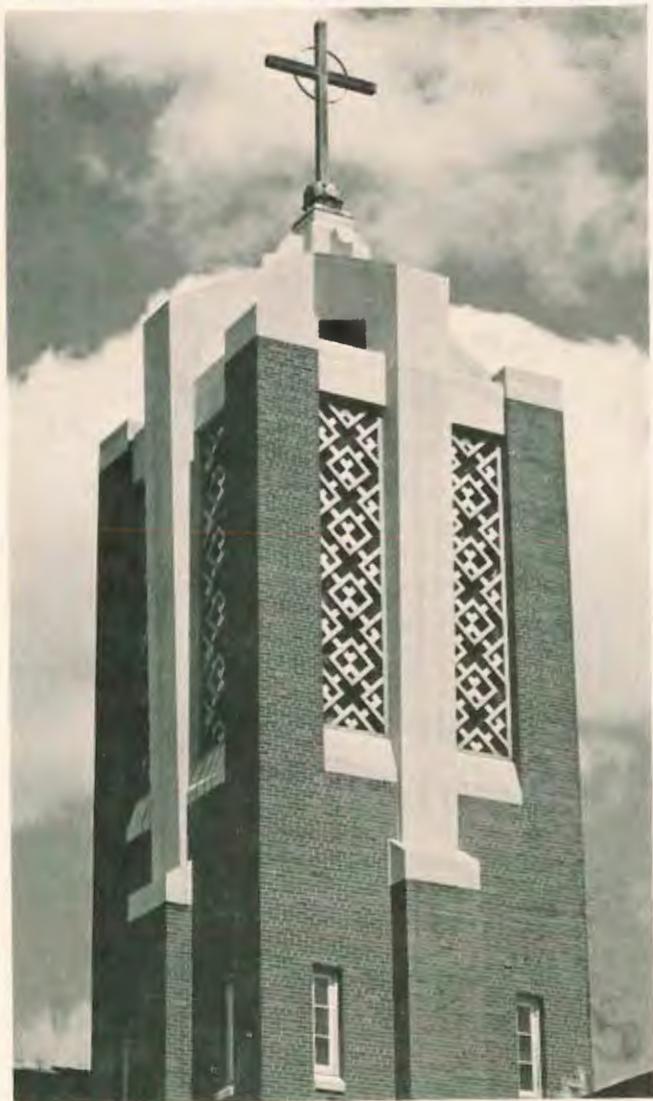
St. Anne's Church

St. Anne's Parish, one of the largest Roman Catholic Churches in northern New Jersey, was founded in 1909.

The first Mass was celebrated in a small house on 13th Avenue, East Paterson, which had been donated by Juan B. Ramirez. Mrs. Angelina Ramirez, his wife, had a special devotion to St. Anne during her lifetime and, after her death, the name St. Anne's was selected for the church.

Father Peter Kramer celebrated the first Mass at the little church building on Christmas Day in 1909. In 1910, the parish, a part of the Archdiocese of Newark, was placed under the care of the Franciscan Fathers. The parish continued to grow as more and more people moved into the area.

When Father Justin Walsh arrived in Fair Lawn in 1923, he saw the need for a larger chapel and a fund-raising drive was initiated. In 1926 the first portion of the church was constructed at Summit and Magnolia Avenues (later called St. Anne's Street). The property had been purchased from Patrick Lynch, who later donated the funds for the foundation of the new church.



Father Camillus Lillis served as pastor from 1933 to 1946 and helped to organize many of the church-orientated groups for youth and adults still in existence today. During his term of service a rectory was secured at the corner of Lyncrest and Magnolia Avenues.

St. Anne's School opened in 1949 with a registration of 400 students in the first four grades. An addition to the school was made in 1954 and the building now accommodates youngsters in grades kindergarten to eight, from both Fair Lawn and Elmwood Park.

The Sisters of St. Joseph arrived in 1950 to staff the school and in 1954 a convent was built as their home.

At one time 11 over-crowded masses were necessary to accommodate the large numbers of Catholics attending church each Sunday. In November, 1958, the cornerstone was laid on the modern Gothic structure which is now St. Anne's Church. The parish has a membership of about 3400 families. The current pastor is Rev. Theodore Cavanaugh, O.F.M.

Grace Orthodox Presbyterian Church

Under the policy of extending its witness in progressive expanding communities such as Fair Lawn, the Committee on Home Missions and Church Extension of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church sent its field secretary, the Rev. George W. Marston, to conduct a survey in the Warren Point section in May 1945. The results of the



survey were encouraging and the Rev. Bruce A. Coie, home missionary of the denomination, entered upon his labors in June of that year.

A home on Fair Lawn Parkway was purchased in September 1945 to serve the dual purpose of a manse for the pastor and for conducting of services. The first



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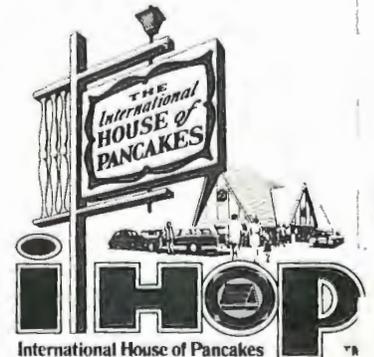
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services of worship were held on October 14, 1945. A Sunday School was also held at that time. Nineteen were in attendance on the first Sunday.

A building fund was soon established toward the eventual erection of a chapel. In March 1948 a larger plot of land was purchased at the southern end of East and West Amsterdam Avenues. On that site the original chapel was completed in 1949 and that building was enlarged and refitted in 1960.

The original members were affiliated with the Co-

venant Church of the Oranges until 1951 when the local congregation was officially formed.

A new manse was completed on the church property in 1966. Currently there are 72 adult members and 27 baptized children in the congregation.

The following have served as pastors of Grace Orthodox Presbyterian Church: the Rev. Bruce A. Coie, 1945-1951; the Rev. LeRoy B. Oliver, 1952-1956; the Rev. Raymond E. Commeret, 1956-1972 and the Rev. Dennis E. Johnson is current pastor.

St. Leon's Armenian Apostolic Church

The 50th anniversary of Fair Lawn coincides with the 40th anniversary of the naming of St. Leon's Armenian Church. The parish was organized in South Paterson in the early 1930's through the efforts of immigrant Armenians born in Turkish-ruled regions of Armenia and Cilicia. St. Leon's Church was purchased in 1932.

Thanks to the foresight and financial assistance of Harry H. Nakashian, long-time resident and businessman in Fair Lawn, St. Leon's Parish purchased in 1958, 3½ acres of property on Saddle River Road, where the new church was to be constructed.

In 1960, St. Leon's Church, still in Paterson, celebrated its 25th anniversary, under the general chairmanship of Anthony H. Purpuse.

Ground blessing ceremonies were held on the Fair Lawn property on September 22, 1963. Construction of the church began in March, 1965 and the consecration ceremonies, presided over by the diocesan primate,

were performed on September 18 and 19, 1965. Serving as general chairman of the building committee was E. George Dabagian, with John Nakashian and the late Andrew S. Tilbian as associate general chairmen and Anthony Purpuse in charge of fund-raising. John Harry Nakashian, grandson of the late benefactor, Harry Nakashian, served as main godfather of the new St. Leon's Church during consecration ceremonies.

The larger of the two houses already in existence on the property at the time of its purchase has served as rectory since 1960. Rev. Arten Ashjian is pastor of the church.

St. Leon's Church serves as a spiritual, cultural and social center for a couple of hundred Armenian families residing in Bergen, Passaic and other northern New Jersey counties. Among its active units are a Ladies' Guild, a choir, a Sunday School, an Armenian language school and a youth group. The church is under the jurisdiction of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America.





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Van Riper-Ellis Memorial Baptist Church

The Van Riper-Ellis Memorial Baptist Church, a landmark at the corner of River Road and Morlot Avenue, had its beginnings more than 100 years ago when a Sunday School was established.

Mrs. Eleanor Van Riper opened the Sunday School March 6, 1870 in her home which stood where the present church is now located. The first trustees of the school were Henry A. Hopper, Henry Van Riper, Ralph G. Garretson, John Berdan and Peter Henderson, all early settlers in this area. Mrs. Van Riper was the first superintendent at the Sunday School and continued in that job until her death in 1919.

Mrs. Van Riper's husband Henry donated to the Sunday School a plot of ground on which to build a chapel. With the help of friends and neighbors the first unit of the original chapel was completed a few years after the founding of the original school. Additions were made to the chapel in 1908, 1926, 1930 and 1942 until it was replaced by the present church in 1960. An educational building, adjacent to the church, was erected in 1953.

Mrs. Van Riper was replaced as superintendent by her daughter, Mrs. R. H. Ellis in 1919. The present church and its grounds were provided for in the wills of Mrs. Ellis and her husband.

The Van Riper-Ellis Memorial Church was officially organized in 1930 with 17 Baptist members and 18 of other communions. Soon after the church was organized, Dr. Edward M. Saunier took over as pastor. He resigned in 1938 and Rev. Richard Camp became pastor.

Mr. Camp served as pastor until his retirement in 1969, only interrupting his service in 1945-46 to be a chaplain during World War II. The Rev. Robert Romick served as pastor until July, 1974. Pastor Camp has been serving as interim pastor since then.

The church, which belongs to the American Baptist Convention, has grown to a membership of about 700 people. The Sunday School is still in existence with an enrollment of about 250 students.



Temple Beth Sholom

Temple Beth Sholom, a conservative congregation, was established in about 1960 by people mostly from the Edison School area. The modern building was con-

structed on the corner of Fair Lawn Avenue and Saddle River Road about 12 years ago.

Rabbi Robert Arnowitz serves as spiritual leader to the congregation.



Orthodox Congregation of Fair Lawn



The Orthodox Congregation of Fair Lawn was organized in March 1966, under the guidance of Yeshiva University. It held the first Sabbath services on April 25, 1966 at the Jewish War Veterans building on Plaza Road. Two years later the congregation purchased a home on Morlot Avenue and has since added an addition to its home to accommodate the growth in membership and activities.

The youngest of the five Jewish houses of worship in Fair Lawn, the Orthodox Congregation blends a strict adherence to traditional Jewish laws and customs with that of modern life. Recently they selected a Hebrew name for the Congregation, that of Shomrei Torah—guardians of the Torah. Rabbi Benjamin Yudin, instructor of Talmud at Yeshiva University High School in Man-

hattan, served as spiritual leader for the past five years.

In addition to the general organization headed by Mr. Howard Perlmutter, the Congregation has an active Sisterhood as well as an active Men's Club. The youth are affiliated with the National Conference of Synagogue Youth under the auspices of the Union of Orthodox Congregations. Daily services are held, both mornings and evenings throughout the year. Educational activities include weekly Bible and Talmud classes for adults and an advanced high school program for teenagers. All classes are open to members as well as non-members alike. The Congregation also hosts the coffee house of the Jewish Community Council of Fair Lawn, providing the Jewish youth of our community the opportunity to meet in a cultural and social atmosphere.

Temple Avoda



Temple Avoda, originally known as Reform Temple of Fair Lawn, 10-10 Plaza Road, was founded in October, 1953 by eight families who sought to bring to the area a Reform-Liberal interpretation of Judaism. Worship services were conducted at the homes of the members, who also pooled their talents to form a religious school.

In succeeding years they met for High Holy Day services at the Church in Radburn, the Fair Lawn Beach Club and Thomas Jefferson Junior High School. The first High Holy Day services held in their new building

were in the Fall of 1958.

The first full-time rabbi, Rabbi Selig Salkowitz, came to the congregation in 1958 and he has served ever since. Today 275 families comprise the congregation.

The Hebrew name of Temple Avoda was adopted on February 10, 1971. The name was selected because the Hebrew word Avoda means "service"—the double connotation of service to God and service to man, derived from the theme of the Temple building, "The work of our hands establish thou it,"—Ps. 90:17.

Warren Point Presbyterian Church



Probably the oldest established church in Fair Lawn is the Warren Point Presbyterian Church, now located on Broadway at 17th Street.

The church was founded in 1895 by Col. William Barbour, the Rev. George Coulson and Miss Anna Garretson. Mr. and Mrs. William Barbour and their family lived in Warren Point and owned a large tract of land extending from the Passaic River almost to 54th Street and 17th Street. Mr. Barbour asked the Rev. George Coulson of Paterson to serve the church and Mr. Barbour assisted him along with Miss Garretson, who was the first superintendent of the beginners and primary departments of the Sunday School.

The church was formally organized with 55 charter members, under the care of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church in 1915. Dr. Franklin J. Miller was pastor and preached in the church on Sunday afternoons after Mr. Coulson resigned.

The first Board of Trustees of the Warren Point Presbyterian Mission consisted of: Col. William Barbour, Robert Barbour, Charles J. Atta, Fred Krauss, Theodore Schiller and Robert A. Smith, Sr., Mrs. John H. Kemp, Sr., was the first financial secretary.

In 1925 the mission became a church through the efforts of the Rev. R. H. MacReady, D. D. A meeting was called by the Presbytery of Jersey City, followed by a request by the members of the mission to organize a Presbyterian Church in Warren Point. Elected at that time as elders were Raphael J. Atta, Garret Rusticus and John Christie. The church was officially named the Warren Point Presbyterian Church.

In the spring of 1949 the new church building on Broadway and 17th Street was dedicated and is still used by the congregation of about 600 members. The Rev. Theodore Lawson has been the pastor of the church for the past eight years.

Warren Point Section

One of the first sections of the borough, Warren Point, derives its name from the Barbour family, early residents of this area.

Thomas Barbour named this section in honor of his wife, nee Warren, from Oneida County, N. Y., whose ancestors came from Warren and Surrey, England. This was the second settlement of the Barbour family so named, the first being Warren Point, Long Island.

Barbour selected the site on the southeast corner of the Passaic River Bridge and River Road as a place for his summer residence, which he called Warren Point during the 1800's.

The Barbour mansion was located in the area which is now the Elmwood garden apartment development.

Warren Point, the first population center to develop within the borough, enjoyed a distinct advantage by being located on a through route between Hackensack and Paterson. The coming of the Hudson River Trolley gave it impetus in 1906.

Warren Point had its own post office in 1896, and also a railroad station build particularly for one of its first commuters, a vice-president of the Chase National Bank of New York.

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Business and Industry

Chamber of Commerce

The Fair Lawn Chamber of Commerce is a voluntary organization supported by members, principally businessmen and women, interested in promoting and perpetuating the civic, commercial, professional, industrial and general welfare of the community.

Membership is open to any reputable person, firm or business which subscribes to total community development and good business practices. Working through committees, members study parking problems, traffic conditions, community planning and zoning, regional, state, county and local legislative and governmental problems. The Chamber's committees work cooperatively with all other community organizations and groups.

A main objective of the Chamber of Commerce is to represent wherever and whenever possible the business interests and interests of Fair Lawn residents. Able to draw on the experience from 4,000 other chapters throughout the country, the Chamber responds to all inquiries about Fair Lawn and also assists local residents in obtaining information about other communities. The Chamber also endeavors, whenever possible, to rectify consumer complaints with both members and non-members doing business in the community.

The Fair Lawn Chamber of Commerce unofficially began about 30 years ago after a great deal of back-

ground work by Richard Vander Plaat and Michael Canger. The two men called a meeting of the business and professional community in the Municipal Chambers in the old Borough Hall, attended by Judge Morris Dobrin and William McCormick, among others. The purpose was to bring these elements of Fair Lawn together to promote business in the borough.

The Chamber was incorporated in November of 1954 with Mr. McCormick serving as its president, Dr. Samuel W. Waldman as vice president and Kenneth L. Hutchison as executive secretary-treasurer. Other early members who were very involved included Ethan Ackerman, George Sporn, Walt Kremer, Ed Kimball, Art Leusden and Bill Mutter. Mr. Hutchison, a professor at Pace College who recently retired, was the first full-time secretary of the Chamber.

The organization sponsored an emblem contest among art students at Fair Lawn High School to select an official seal for the Chamber. The winner was sketched with a home at the top; gears to the left, depicting industry; a quill in the center to represent education, and a scroll in the middle upon which are written the words "confidence and good will."

In the early years, the Chamber created a baseball league with the help of Lou Raffiani and Rolf Hempel.



CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. (From left): Werner Young, secretary; Gladys Milazzo, vice president—programming; Charles I. Wrubel, president and Mark Marino, executive director. Absent when the photo was taken: John Alaimo, past president; David Nelson, treasurer and Russell T. Custer, vice president—administration.

The organization prevailed upon local businessmen to sponsor softball teams. The Chamber was also the sponsor of the Miss Fair Lawn contest and the aquacade at Memorial Pool for the promotion of the municipality and local businessmen.

It also conducted a market survey with the cooperation of high school students and turned the results over to various concerns and establishments in the community upon request.

Until April 1973 the Chamber's activities were managed by local businessmen on a volunteer basis. However, last year Mark Marino was hired as a full-time executive director of the Chamber and an office was opened in the Cosmos Building.

A Board of Directors elected by the general membership determines the Chamber's policies and programs. Officers are elected annually from among the 25-member Board.

In addition to the promotion of business activities in Fair Lawn, the Chamber supports various civic projects. It also helps new businesses that arrive in the borough.

Business

Unlike many surrounding communities, Fair Lawn features a wide variety of retail, service and wholesale businesses situated throughout the community.

During the 1960's, there was a total of 219 retail establishments, 187 service concerns and 61 wholesale businesses in the borough.

Before Fair Lawn's period of expansion following World War II, many small businesses were concentrated along Route 4 near Plaza Road, the Fair Lawn Center area adjacent to the Fair Lawn Avenue and River Road intersection and along Lincoln Avenue. The latter two sections served those residents in older sections of Fair Lawn which had developed largely as a result of industrial expansion from Paterson into the borough.

During this period, the downtown shopping area of neighboring Paterson was used by many residents via several bus routes connecting the two communities.

The development of Fair Lawn during the post war era resulted in the establishment of small clusters of neighborhood stores such as those on Morlot Avenue near Banta Place, the Plymouth Park establishments and businesses at the intersection of Morlot Avenue and Saddle River Road. In addition, the older centers expanded together with the Radburn shopping area.

During the 1960's, retail sales dropped slightly due to the economic impact of the Paramus shopping centers, but recovered because of the declining interest of residents in shopping in Paterson, Hackensack and Newark. Another key reason why so many local businesses have continued to prosper through the years despite increased retail development in neighboring towns has been the service offered by Fair Lawn's merchants.

The oldest continuous business in the borough is believed to be Kuiken Bros., whose construction business

dates back to 1911. Today the Kuikens still run a lumber yard and hardware store on Sixth Street.

The Kuiken family came to Fair Lawn in about 1900 from Holland. The elder Kuiken had a peddler wagon and he sold fruit and vegetables from his garden.

The three Kuiken brothers, Richard, Henry and Nicholas had a woodworking shop on Sixth Street but in 1911 they began the general contracting business, and they built many of the homes on Fifth and Sixth Street, including the house in which Nicholas' wife, Nellie, still lives on the corner of Sixth Street and Fair Lawn Avenue.

In 1916 the business was incorporated under the name of Kuiken Brothers Construction Co. They also started a small paint and hardware store as they acquired more of the land on Sixth Street.

Between 1911 and 1926, Kuiken Bros. constructed the majority of houses in Fair Lawn and might be considered the pioneer builders of the borough. In 1926 they started the lumber business which is still run by second-generation Kuikens, and eliminated the construction part of the business.

The Kuikens have always been active in the borough, with Nicholas as mayor for six years and a Bergen County Freeholder for several years. A nephew, Edward, served in the Police Department for about 30 years. Mrs. Nellie Kuiken recalls that when the idea for a new borough originated in 1924, many meetings were held in Kuikens' store, and it could be considered that Fair Lawn was actually born in Kuiken's store.

Another business familiar to several generations of Fair Lawnites is Strehl Pharmacy which began in the same location 44 years ago, in the Radburn Plaza Building.

When the planned community of Radburn was built in 1929 Henry L. Strehl, from one of Fair Lawn's original families, decided to relocate his Paterson pharmacy there.

Several years after the new store opened its doors in July of 1930, the National Prohibition Act was repealed and the Strehl Liquor Department was established. During World War II, the store owners had the problem of keeping up supplies of goods in the face of wartime shortages and rationing, as did most businesses at that time.

The shop was enlarged in 1937 following a small fire. But the fire in 1943 which gutted the entire north wing of the Radburn Plaza Building completely destroyed the drug store. In 1944, a new and modernized shop opened in its original location in the Plaza Building.

Industry

There are two major industrial centers within Fair Lawn: the Fair Lawn Industries tract bordered by Maple Avenue and Wagaraw Road and the Industrial Park off Route 208.

The older of these, Fair Lawn Industries, began

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From The FOX Family

The Fox family has lived in the borough for over 80 years, and we are proud to have contributed to Fair Lawn's development.

Many members of the family have served, at various times, in civic, political, educational, business and social activities.

Through Fair Lawn's proud history, family members have been mayor, councilmen, planning board members, school trustee, fire chief, and tax accessor.

Andrew G. Fox (there were 5 generations of Andrew Fox's) was active in the formation of the borough as a member of the first council. Other Fox's have worked with library board, Boy's Club youth council, Fair Lawn A.C., Volunteer Fire Department and veteran's organizations.

In addition, we've been involved in the banking, manufacturing, wholesale and retail businesses.

All this is to say simply that we have a very close attachment to Fair Lawn, and we join all of the borough's fine citizens in wishing Fair Lawn a truly wonderful 50 years and good fortune for the next 50.



Fair Lawn Industrial Park

primarily with an extension of Paterson's silk industry into the area during the early 1900's. The Textile Dyeing and Finishing Company provided much of the impetus for the construction of homes in the Columbia Heights and Fair Lawn Center areas.

During World War II, this industrial area was occupied by Plant No. 3 of the Curtiss-Wright Aeronautical Corporation which produced airplane engine parts. Today, several varied industrial concerns occupy this well-maintained site.

Fair Lawn's attractive Industrial Park, composed of 173 acres, stands today as a testimonial to past planning of the borough's open space during the period of its greatest growth.

Former Governor Robert B. Meyer described the Industrial Park as "a model industrial community which gracefully fits into the plan for suburban living" at its dedication in March, 1955.

Nineteen industries have located their plants in the Fair Lawn park. Among the nationally known companies found in the Industrial Park are National Biscuit Co., Eastman Kodak, Oxford University Press, Sandvik Steel, Coats and Clark and Lea and Perrins.

Developed in the early 1950's by the Frank A. McBride Company, the Industrial Park has brought national recognition to the borough. An outstanding feature of the park, one of the first of its kind in the nation, is its physical appearance: the low, clean lines of the one-story buildings along with the greenery and open spaces contribute to its "non-industrial" atmosphere and its integration into a residential community.

When the Industrial Park was first proposed in about 1950, it met opposition from borough officials and taxpayers who were seeking to preserve the suburban nature of Fair Lawn.

However, the growing population and the need for more school facilities made the necessity for light industry to share the tax burden apparent. When this need was accepted by the borough, the area which was to become the Industrial Park was rezoned from residential to light industry.

The Industrial Park and Fair Lawn Industries have alleviated the tax burden of home owners by providing additional ratables for the borough. Moreover, their demand on borough services is considerably light. Besides providing the borough with a well-balanced tax base, both also supply many Fair Lawn residents with jobs.

The attractive appearance of the Industrial Park has been maintained through careful planning by both its developers and the borough. Firms desiring to locate there must meet the qualifications and planning specifications set by the Borough Council. Industries must appear before the Planning Board with complete details of construction and operation before contractual agreements are made.

The Fair Lawn Industrial Association is an association of the various industries throughout Fair Lawn. The association sponsors an annual Education Industry Day in co-operation with the school system, provides industrial exhibits for the school buildings and gives tours of the Industrial Park to students and teachers. The members also cooperate in on-the-job training for students.

The Industrial Association has a fund for contributions to local charities, especially for an annual contribution to the volunteer fire department.

An annual Grounds Maintenance Trophy is presented by the Industrial Association to the plant with the most attractive grounds.

Fair Lawn Public Library



LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES. John Bodnar, Andrew Fox, Joseph Filippone, Thomas Cannito, Dr. Maurice Pine, president; Mrs. Madeline Dater, Rabbi Simon Glustrom and Mayor Robert Landzettel.

History of the Library

In February, 1933, the Fair Lawn Library opened its doors in a small room in the Fair Lawn-Radburn Trust Building at Fair Lawn Avenue and River Road. A private group, called the Fair Lawn Library Association was responsible for the facility's inception.

Dr. Maurice Pine originated the idea for a library by contacting a few people interested, including Andrew Fox, Harry Bernstein and Frank Knapp. They were joined by 43 other members in 1932 who each paid dues of one dollar. A donation of \$100 was received from the borough and a library was launched.

Local residents donated books to the association and Dr. Pine got in touch with the State Library, which loaned them 200 volumes. The first library staff consisted of volunteer workers.

In 1934, the Borough Council provided a room on the second floor of the Municipal Building for the library. This being Depression time, however, community enthusiasm waned as people found it increasingly difficult to pay the annual dues.

In 1935, the State Library Commission approved the Fair Lawn Library as a W.P.A. project and provided

a full-time paid librarian until 1942.

The Mayor and Council appointed a Library Board of Trustees in 1936 and Dr. Pine became its president, a position he still holds today. The mayor and Superintendent of Schools serve as ex-officio members of the Board.

The library's collection in 1940 was 4,489 volumes and almost one-third of its then 9,000 population used the library. In 1944, the library became municipally-operated when voters supported a special referendum by a 4 to 1 margin.

The library continued to grow in services and number of employees and, in 1950 it was moved to quarters on River Road, a building which now houses the Arts Center.

A Victory Book Campaign in 1941 enabled thousands of books to be sent to servicemen in camps and overseas. A Bookmobile, which travels to various locations throughout the borough, was acquired in 1957. In 1958, a shut-in service was established to bring books to the elderly and chronically ill residents of the borough.

The Public Library Today



Fair Lawn's Public Library Building, located on Fair Lawn and Parmalee Avenues, is a source of pride for the community. Built at a cost of \$656,000 in 1967, the library has five split levels holding various collections.

As of January, 1974, the library had 135,000 books, ranging from adult fiction and non-fiction to children's and young adult books. Periodicals, newspapers, framed paintings, records, cassette tapes and sculpture for circulation, round out the extensive collection.

The library offers both educational and recreational services with an emphasis on activities for children, including reading clubs, pre-school story hours and reading-related arts and crafts, writing and science groups.

Regular exhibits by well-known artists are featured at the library and seminars, lectures and concerts have been held there.

The library's showcases contain displays of interest lent by local residents. Exhibits have ranged from dried flowers to dolls to specially decorated Ukrainian Easter eggs.

Regular film programs for children and adults are offered as a part of the library's ever-expanding range of services.

As a member of the North Bergen County Federation of Libraries, the local library offers Fair Lawn residents the opportunity to take advantage of the services at any of the other 12 member libraries in the Federation.

Henry Thomas, who was appointed in 1958, serves as library director. On staff are 22 full-time employees and 25 part-time.

The library's facilities have been enhanced by donations from local organizations. The Fair Lawn Rotary Club donated a \$12,500 Geophysical globe and the Lions Club donated the Ednalite Masterlens system.

Fair Lawn Library as it stands today is certainly a far cry from the one room in the Fair Lawn-Radburn Trust building where the library began in 1933.

During its early years the library was a place where residents could go to check out books. Today the modern library boasts of a wide range of services in addition to the books. Nowadays, residents can check out records, cassette tapes, paintings and sculpture as well as books. Expansion of the multimedia services to include teaching machines, increased microfilming and the continued expansion of programs in a variety of areas make Fair Lawn's Library the source of pride that it is for the community.



. . . our story

Over 150 years ago a British nobleman, Lord Sandys, returned to his native England from far away India, where he had served his country for many years as Governor of the Province of Bengal. Most of his life had been spent in the Far East and somewhere on his extensive travels he had found a secret that was more precious to him than all the fabled treasures of that mysterious land. It was a recipe for a Sauce; and such a Sauce that this old epicure could never have left India without it. He had tasted several Hindu dishes whose wonderful flavor and piquant tang were based upon it, and he knew that the meats and fish of his native land could be made immeasurably more delicious by its use.

At this time on Broad St., Worcester, England, stood a chemists' shop owned and operated by Mr. John W. Lea and Mr. William Perrins. To them came this nobleman upon his return, bearing with him his precious recipe. He entrusted it to Messrs. Lea & Perrins to have a supply of the Sauce made up for his own use and for presentation from time to time to his friends. He entertained well at his country estate, and the fame of his delicious Sauce spread quickly. So much so, that the increasingly frequent calls on Lea & Perrins for the Sauce led those gentlemen to permanently acquire the recipe from the old nobleman.

Tales of the excellence of the dishes which the Sauce had been used to season, were spread by word of mouth from friend to friend until its reputation had spread far beyond the little town and shire of its origination. It was only natural therefore that it should take its name from its birthplace and it soon became known as "Worcestershire Sauce".

Through the years that followed, it became extremely popular as a seasoning for the fish and meat dishes of all England. Travelers to other lands carried its fame abroad, and the demand for it constantly grew. Its flavor was always uniform, and neither the heat of the tropics nor the cold of the frigid zone affected its quality and bouquet.

Its production soon commanded the entire attention of Lea & Perrins and the little chemists' shop gave way to more extensive quarters. The secret recipe, from which it is made is carefully guarded, and remains the same as the day it was first found in far away India. Now, as then, Lea & Perrins are the sole manufacturers of the only Original Worcestershire Sauce.

Lea & Perrins came to America more than a century ago. First imported from England, the Sauce was later made in our New York City factories in the spice trade district on the Lower West Side for nearly 100 years. Our home since 1959 is in Fair Lawn, N.J., from which we serve the entire United States.

As a 15 year resident Lea & Perrins salutes the town of Fair Lawn celebrating its 50th Anniversary and has every best wish for its continued success.

Fair Lawn Memorial Hospital



The Fair Lawn Memorial Hospital, located on Saddle River Road, opened on October 28, 1962. It is the only hospital in the borough and one of the very few privately-owned hospitals in the state. Prior to the opening of Fair Lawn Memorial Hospital, residents had to travel to Paterson and other surrounding communities for hospital care.

The original hospital had a 52-bed capacity and has since expanded to 72 beds. The hospital was one of the first in the area to offer air conditioning.

Fair Lawn Memorial Hospital is an acute short-term hospital and is fully accredited by the Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation.

One hundred eighty-four doctors are affiliated with the hospital. This is about double the number of physicians when the facility first opened. The nursing staff comprises 65 and other full and part time employees add to the full complement of 148 staffers.

Approximately 3,000 patients come through the hospital each year, totaling 20,000 in-patient days of service. Between 3,000 and 3,500 visits to the emergency room are made annually. The emergency room is open 24-hours a day with a house physician and registered nurse in attendance at all times.

Miss Marie Giamonco serves as administrator; John Bruno is president of the Board of Trustees; Walter J. Rachwal is comptroller and Mrs. Annetta Panock heads the nursing staff.

Woman's Auxiliary of Fair Lawn Memorial Hospital

Recognizing the importance of health services to

the community, the Woman's Auxiliary of Fair Lawn Memorial Hospital was organized in February, 1971. The auxiliary's main objective is to promote interest in health careers by sponsoring a scholarship for a student of Fair Lawn High School interested in pursuing a career in this field.

The auxiliary maintains and stocks a hospitality cart for the convenience of the patients with such items as snacks, candy, gum and toilet articles. Auxiliary members also run a boutique at the hospital, which features such items as gifts, games, jewelry and accessories. All monies raised from the cart and the boutique and additional functions such as fashion shows, theater parties and the annual lawn garden party go toward the scholarship fund.

Working with the Fair Lawn High School Guidance office, the auxiliary has presented a \$500 scholarship each year since 1972. This scholarship is a continuing one, based on the student's merit in maintaining a good scholastic record, and is renewed annually during the course of study.

Since its first meeting in February, 1971, when 56 women attended, the auxiliary has grown to its present 138 members, who volunteer their time on the cart, in the boutique and in circulating a free lending library among the patients.

Meetings are held every other month, at which time diversified programs are presented to the membership. Past presidents include Mrs. Philip Jasper and Mrs. David Goldman and the current president is Mrs. Edward Cooper.

*Congratulations Fair Lawn
From The Service Clubs*



Fair Lawn Rotary Club

"Service Above Self"

Meetings every Thursday - 12:15 p.m. - Elks Club



Fair Lawn Lions Club

"We Serve"

Meetings every Wednesday - 12:15 p.m. - Bamboo East



Fair Lawn-Elmwood Park Kiwanis Club

"Give of Yourself"

Meetings every Tuesday - 6:30 p.m. - Bamboo East



Fair Lawn Jaycees

"Service to Humanity Is the Best Work of Life"

Meetings every second Thursday of the month - 8 p.m. - Athletic Club

Fair Lawn Opportunity Center

In 1962, the Fair Lawn Lions Club heard a speaker talk about retarded children and a vital nerve was touched in every member of the club. Recognizing a community need, the Lions set out to provide services for mentally retarded young adults and, in 1965, the Fair Lawn Opportunity Center was born.

At first the Center took quarters wherever it could find them—schools, churches and the old municipal building at one time. From 1969 to 1973 the Opportunity Center operated out of two basement rooms in the Lincoln School.

It provides a meaningful existence for a number of young adults who are learning to relate to others, to practice self-care skills and to operate simple machinery for which they receive a minimal token payment. This serves two purposes: the young adults are being paid for services rendered and they are being given an opportunity to handle money so they can learn routines such as going to a store to make purchases.

The young adults carry out such work as insti-

printing, making plastic signs, name tags and signs for desks. They make bows for a local store, stuff envelopes for various industries and sort, count and package small hardware. All is sub-contract work for which they are paid.

The Opportunity Center became a part of the Community School in 1972 and in 1974 an 18-room house on the corner of Fair Lawn Avenue and Elmary Place was secured for the Center's future use.

In its own facility the Opportunity Center will be able to more effectively carry out the special task of giving a chance to young men and women already deprived of normal intelligence to perform in day-to-day living and be able to learn and live with some constructive order and accomplishment in their lives.

The year 1974 marks the beginning of a new era for the Opportunity Center in the assistance it continues to give to mentally retarded young adults in Fair Lawn and surrounding communities.

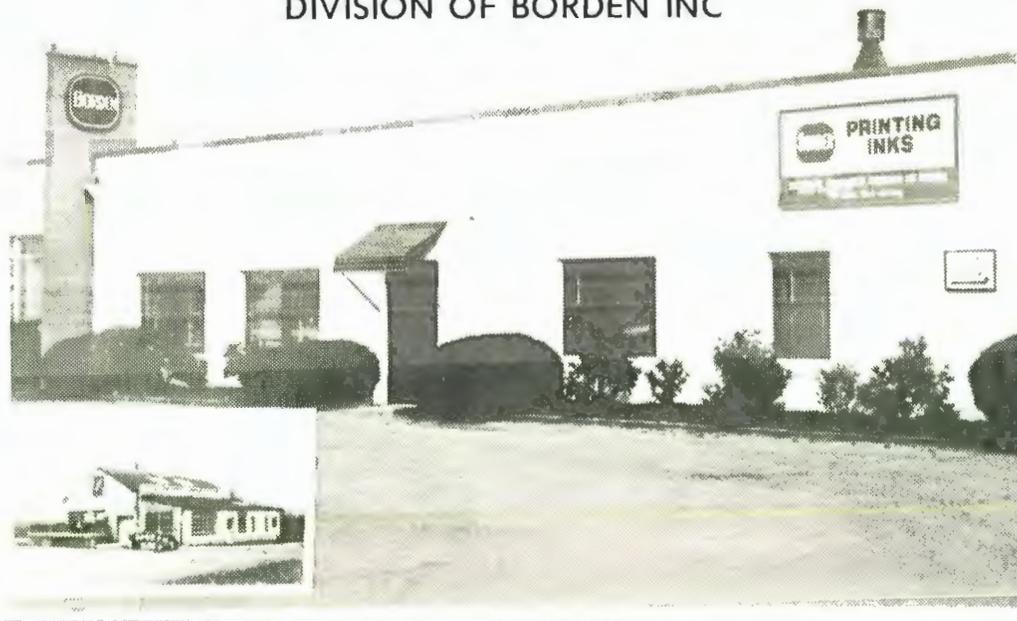


The Fair Lawn Opportunity Center

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Borden Chemical's Printing Ink Division originated as Commercial Ink and Lacquer Company Inc. in 1946. Fair Lawn resident George E. Jacques was president and the company specialized in rotogravure inks for the packaging industry marketed as "Cilco" products. (Photo inset 1949)

Borden purchased the company in 1960 to form the Printing Ink Division. The Fair Lawn plant has increased employment by six times and plant area by sixteen times during 28 years of operation while Borden currently has more than thirty printing ink plants throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, and Canada. This plant now manufactures rotogravure, flexographic, lithographic, letterpress, and silk screen inks as well as many specialty products. Most packaging on supermarket shelves has been printed with Borden printing inks. Trade products from Fair Lawn are marketed from Maine to Florida while intermediate materials are shipped to other Borden locations throughout the United States.

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Fair Lawn Mental Health Center



The Fair Lawn Mental Health Center, considered to be one of the finest mental health clinics in the state, opened on December 3, 1959, in a small building, which was borrowed from the Recreation Department. Prior to that time, Fair Lawn children, who needed psychological help, were diagnosed and treated at the Clinic for Mental Health Services in Paterson.

In 1959 a group of interested citizens succeeded in making the community aware of the benefits of a local clinic. Support came from the Borough Council and the Board of Education and some matching funds were received from the state under the 1957 Community Mental Health Act.

In its first year the Mental Health Center handled a case load of 30 children, most of them transfer patients from the Paterson clinic. Since that time 3,700 people, both children and adults have been treated at the Mental Health Center, here. From a staff of two people in 1960, the Center now has 19 employees.

After three years, the Center outgrew its original facility and a campaign for a new building was started. Land on Romaine Street was donated by the borough and a fund-raising drive brought in thousands of dollars. The new building opened in the Fall of 1963.

The Center operates on funds from the borough, Board of Education, state and federal grants, patients fees and fund-raising drive.

Fair Lawn's response to its own Mental Health Center, from the very beginning, was enthusiastic. An annual tradition has been the Marathon Softball game, played on the Memorial Day weekend by high school seniors, with all proceeds donated to the Center.

In September, 1972 a Day Treatment Center was

added to the facility; it now provides classes for emotionally disturbed youngsters. Programs at the Center were recently expanded to include an informal Saturday program for senior citizens.

A 24-hour telephone service, the "Rap Line" was instituted in 1971. It averages about 700 calls per month.

The Mental Health Center can now handle patients of all ages and many of its programs are designed to promote and foster sound mental health within the community as well as to treat mental illness. The building has opened its doors to community meetings and the Center maintains an active speaker's bureau.

Maxwell Brand, M.D. heads the staff at the Mental Health Center and Mrs. Julian Bornstein is the current president of the Board of Directors.

Alternatives

In the living-room type atmosphere of the basement of the Fair Lawn Mental Health Center young people from 13 to 24 congregate on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday evenings to be a part of what is called "Alternatives".

Alternatives can best be described as a reaching out in a genuine effort to gain knowledge. It offers youth a place that is completely their own where they can freely exchange ideas with their peers.

Having reached a point where they are making decisions concerning their life style, the youths seek alternate routes to circumvent the problems people of their age face, of which, drugs, drinking, vandalism, etc. are but symptoms.

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Service Organizations

The spirit of Fair Lawn is indeed in its people and, to a great degree, much of the community's success can be attributed to the vast numbers of clubs and organizations which have developed and thrived as a result of the enthusiasm of its members.

Club and organizational endeavors have been categorized for the following section in this way:

1. service organizations
2. fraternal organizations
3. veterans organizations
4. cultural activities
5. youth organizations
6. political clubs

What has made Fair Lawn the unique community it is has been the fierce pride the people have in their hometown and in the activities they have developed here. These activities are so diverse as to be overwhelming. We salute all those who have given their time and talent toward the betterment of their community through their particular club or organization.

Fair Lawn Jaycees

"Leadership training through community development" is the theme of the Fair Lawn Jaycees. Chartered on January 21, 1961, the Jaycees are a group of young men, between the ages of 18 and 36, who want to give service to their community.

The Jaycees are committed to the idea that young men will be the leaders of tomorrow and, with proper training, these men will be more effective in the future.

The community-involvement projects conducted by the Jaycees since being chartered include: a glass, newspaper and aluminum recycling project; a Leadership in Action course, giving members the opportunity to develop and experience personal leadership growth; Speak-Up Jaycee, a program aimed at getting the inexperienced member on his feet to begin the process of building up confidence; contributions to Camp Jaycee, a project which provides summer camp for retarded children and a community-wide Health Fair.

Fair Lawn Rotary Club

The Rotary Club of Fair Lawn was born on April 22, 1948, when a small group of men met together with the idea of bringing the spirit of service and fellowship to their borough. The first president, E. B. Leone, presided at the first charter night dinner held on September 23 of that year. The club had 33 charter members.

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise. The club is particularly interested in the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service; high ethical business and professional standards; application of the

ideal of service to each Rotarian's personal life and the advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional men united in the idea of service.

To effect a well-rounded and balanced organization, Rotary's membership includes one representative from each category of business and professional life. The current president is Dr. R. Albert Canger.

Fair Lawn-Elmwood Park Kiwanis Club

The local Kiwanis Club received its charter in Fair Lawn in May, 1952 and in 1961 residents of East Paterson (now Elmwood Park) joined the club. The group operates, basically, under the six objectives of Kiwanis—spiritual, fellowship, golden rule in life's endeavors, service to society, expansion of clubs and cooperation with other clubs.

Since its inception, the local Kiwanis Club has placed a great deal of emphasis on work with the youth of the two communities it serves.

The club sponsors a Key Club and Keyettes at both the Fair Lawn and Elmwood Park High Schools. These groups give high school students the opportunity to exercise their leadership qualities.

The Charities Fund of the club has awarded scholarships annually to students of both high schools, including two nursing students awards through the Leo Minuskin Memorial Fund, two educational grants to business students and the Frank Sogorka Memorial award to students of American History.

Presently 33 men of Fair Lawn and Elmwood Park make up the membership roster of the Fair Lawn-Elmwood Park Kiwanis under President Anthony A. Andora.

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After World War II the age of the do-it-yourself came into its own. In 1949 a new factory-retail-store was erected on River Road and since that time two additions have been added to expand that structure.

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Fair Lawn Lions Club

Fair Lawn's Lions Club was organized some 20 years ago and today its approximately 50 members meet weekly for educational programs and to plan their many charitable activities.

The primary work of the Lions Club is done in the area of sight conservation; the club annually sponsors a visit of the Eyemobile to Fair Lawn. The Fair Lawn Opportunity Center, a facility for mentally retarded young adults, is another of the club's favorite charities.

For 20 consecutive years the Lions Club has sponsored a baseball team for the Fair Lawn youngsters involved in the All Sports program. The current president is Leonard Miller.

Fair Lawn Optimist Club

The Fair Lawn Optimist Club was formed in September, 1971 and is a member of Optimist International.

The Optimist Club is known as the friend of youth and, since its inception, has engaged in activities to help boys and girls. Annually the club sponsors an oratorical contest and it has sponsored trips to major league baseball games for local youngsters. The club also sponsors summer camperships for needy children.

Membership in the Club is open to any man living or working in Fair Lawn. The club currently has 35 members and Manny Miller serves as president.

Drug Abuse Council

Established in 1969, the Drug Abuse Council is composed of community volunteers whose objective is to inform the youth and adult population of the borough about drug and alcohol abuse.

While the volunteers do not perform corrective or psychological work, a rapport exists between the Council and established centers such as the Mental Health Center and several out-of-town agencies and institutions.

Members are well-trained through attendance at various courses of instruction and the completion of local surveys, studies and research designed to orient the Drug Abuse Council's programs to the needs of the local community.

Recognized by the Borough Council and funded by the community, the Drug Abuse Council meets at least once per month and sponsors three primary activities in Fair Lawn.

Rap Sessions represent a series of programs in our public elementary schools held generally once per year

in each school. Admission to these presentations is open to those fifth and sixth grade students accompanied by at least one parent. The Rap Sessions consist of general presentations by Drug Abuse Council members followed by small discussion groups.

Community-wide presentations are another major activity which enables the Drug Abuse Council to reach several thousand residents each year. Programs for 1974 include several programs by noted authorities in the field and a four-day seminar about alcohol abuse.

For persons who cannot attend the former programs, but want to learn, the Drug Abuse Council sponsors pamphlet racks in the Free Public Library and the two Junior High Schools. A rack is planned for the Senior High School.

Past chairmen of the Drug Abuse Council include the late Frank Sogorka, George Bate, Bert Bock and Norman Epstein.

League of Women Voters

In 1937 the League of Women Voters was established as the first borough-wide organization for women. Mrs. Kathryn L. Lyle served as the League's first president and later became Fair Lawn's only councilwoman.

The aim of the League of Women Voters is to increase the number of informed citizens. The League works for measures to improve government and backs certain issues although it never backs a candidate. The League began with 41 members and today it has a membership of over 100 women. The study groups and public meetings sponsored by the League have had an important effect on the borough.

The first local project of the League was to work for voting machines in Bergen County. The League also recommended the adoption of Civil Service in Fair Lawn and was influential in its implementation. The group sponsored the first non-partisan candidate's night in Fair Lawn and has held one before elections almost every year. They have held many voter registration drives in Fair Lawn.

Perhaps the greatest contribution by the League during Fair Lawn's first 50 years was its work in support of the Council-Manager form of government. As early as 1938 the League held study groups and public meetings on this topic and, following their lead, the mayor appointed a committee to investigate this type of government. Some 10 years later the change was affected.

A major project taken on by the League has been the preparation of an information booklet about Fair Lawn entitled "Know Your Town." There have been four editions of the booklet.



JAYCEES. Members of the Fair Lawn Jaycees, 1974



ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS. (from left): John Nakashian, first vice president; George Kirsch, second vice president; Ira C. Mitchell, past district governor; Dr. R. Albert Canger, president, 1974-75; Charles Salemeno, Philip Tuzzolino, Herman Paris, Donald Fusco, secretary; Joseph Quackenbush, Werner Young, John Nichols, treasurer and Dr. Jacob Weisser, outgoing president.



OPTIMIST CLUB—FRIEND OF YOUTH. In recognition of its work with the youth of the community, Mayor Robert Landzettel signs a proclamation naming "Youth Appreciation Week" to honor the Fair Lawn Optimist Club. Looking on (from left) are: Joseph Fisher, Manny Miller, current president and Harold Troum.



DRUG ABUSE COUNCIL. Front row (from left): Stuart Zimmerman, Recording Secretary; Harold Hoffman, Treasurer; Diane Blumberg, Chairman and Marvin Soloway, Corresponding Secretary. Second row: Norman Epstein, Past Chairman; Irving Gerber; Richard Colton and George Bate, Past Chairman. Third row: Selma Lash, John Cosgrove, Borough Council Representative and Larry Sherman. Members not present for photo: Jerry Horowitz, Vice Chairman; Steven Basch, Bert Bock, Past Chairman; Lucille Pine; Dr. Jerome Swirson; Thomas Carlomagno; Philip Mintz, Board of Education Representative and Robert Gajarsky, Police Department Representative.

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS MEMBERS offer a toast to founder Kay Lyle. Front row (from left): Kay Lyle, Diane Blumberg, president; Mary Burdick, Pearl Weiss and Jane Diepeveen; back row: Adele Dresner, Fran Davis, Gloria Korn, Sue Craig, Martha Buchsbaum and Vera Kluger.

Fraternal Organizations

Fair Lawn Athletic Club

The group that can claim the distinction of being Fair Lawn's oldest club is the Fair Lawn Athletic Club, affectionately referred to for the past 51 years as the "A.C."

During the early 1920's Fair Lawn's "Four Popular Boys", namely Fred Fox, Henry Imhoff, the late Arthur Tuschmann and Jasper Van Hook organized many social functions for the small farming community which was then Fair Lawn. They informally organized as the Social Club of Fire Co. No. 3 and, in 1923, decided to separate from the Fire Company to form the Fair Lawn A.C.

The first baseball team was organized by the club in 1924 and, today, the A.C. still sponsors youth teams of the All Sports Association and members remain active as members of the club's softball teams.

The Athletic Club, in 1926, purchased the property where its present clubhouse stands. Four bowling alleys were added in 1932, later removed in the 1960's when the club was refurbished and expanded.

Football and basketball teams were sponsored by the A.C. as early as 1927. The activities of the club extended beyond athletics as early as 1926 when the club took on the sponsorship of the first boy scout troop organized in Fair Lawn.

The A.C. was instrumental in the establishment of a Recreation Department in Fair Lawn and also worked for Memorial Pool and the Public Library. Over the years the club has purchased playground equipment for the schools in the borough.

Each year the A.C. sponsors the annual "Old Timers Dinner" open to men who have lived or worked in the borough for 20 years or more. The dinner was started in 1963 by the late Michael A. Canger, Jr. and Morris Dobrin. Hundreds of old timers attend the event each year.

The Cosmos Club

The Cosmos Club an Italian-American fraternal organization is now in its 24th year of activity in Fair Lawn. Its major objective is to promote good citizenship and an active civic interest in the municipal affairs of Fair Lawn.

The Club encourages all residents of Fair Lawn, as well as non-resident business and professional men of Italian extraction, to take an active part in the civic, cultural, social and charitable activities of the borough. The organization fosters good fellowship among the members and amongst all residents regardless of class, race or religious beliefs.

Fair Lawn Industrial Park



Our congratulations to the citizens of Fair Lawn
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The Cosmos Club Building on Fair Lawn Avenue, was erected in 1963 and serves as a fraternal, charitable, civic, social and cultural center for the accomplishment of the objects and purposes of the club. This year, the building will be rededicated to become the Michael A. Canger, Jr. Building.

The Cosmos Club motto is "Order out of Chaos".

Annually, the Club awards seven scholarships to Fair Lawn High School graduates in recognition of outstanding achievement in the fields of Italian, Hebrew, French, Spanish, Russian and Journalism. They also award several nursing scholarships to students planning to pursue a career in the field of nursing.

The Club has been active in the All Sports program having sponsored baseball teams for many years. They also host the domestic exchange students at a dinner each year.

A favorite charity of the Cosmos Club has been the Cancer Society. During the past year alone, the Club raised some \$15,000 for the Society. Drives are conducted for the needy at holiday time and the Club contributes to scouting organizations and other worthwhile causes in the borough.

The Ladies Auxiliary makes an annual contribution to the St. Joseph's Home for the Aged in Paterson, based on the proceeds of the St. Joseph's Table held each March.

Each year, the Club selects from its membership a "Man of the Year" and this year, for the first time, a "Woman of the Year" will also be selected.

Many prominent men of the community have been members of the Cosmos Club including the borough's first police chief, several mayors, deputy mayors, councilmen, school board trustees and doctors, dentists, attorneys and other professionals.

Fair Lawn Elks Lodge No. 1863

Fair Lawn Elk's Lodge No. 1863 was first organized in October, 1952 and their charter given July, 1952. They originally met in an old farm house on Fair Lawn Avenue and Route 208. In February, 1969 the Lodge moved to its new location on Fair Lawn Avenue next to the Grange Hall.

From the first Exalted Ruler, Howard C. Yerger, to the present Exalted Ruler, John Evers, the Fair Lawn Order of Elks has been dedicated to various charities, the greatest of these being Crippled Children. In addition to helping and supplying these children with their needs, they are also sent to the Elk's Camp, Camp Moore in Haskell, N. J.

Some of the activities of the Lodge are: sponsoring a Little League team, multiple handicapped boy scout troop, basketball contests, scholarships and others. As long as there is a disabled veteran the Elk's will always remember them in their visits to the hospitals. The Lodge participates in various community projects and helps where needed.

Knights of Pythias

The Benjamin N. Cardozo Lodge No. 163 was founded 23 years ago by a group of local men. Today

there are more than 400 members.

The primary charities of this non-sectarian, fraternal group are Deborah Hospital, the Fair Lawn Mental Health Center and the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Guidelines established for the Knights of Pythias are friendship, charity and benevolence.

The Knights of Pythias meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month at Temple Avoda. Michael Meyerson is the current chancellor commander.

St. Anne's Council, Knights of Columbus No. 2853

The Knights of Columbus, a fraternal organization for Catholic men, was organized here in 1942. Today the Council has more than 400 men on its membership roster.

Over the years, the local K of C's charity work has included the formation of a blood donor group, a decency committee to work towards wholesome literature, aid to parochial education and assistance to the aged and underprivileged.

The Knights of Columbus have also participated in civic activities under the auspices of the Recreation Department's Holiday Celebrations Committee.

Warren Point Square Club

A group of Masons living in Fair Lawn, and, in most cases, far away from the Masonic Lodge they had originally joined, got together in the early 1940's to form the Warren Point Square Club. Due to the lack of a Masonic Lodge at the time the men decided to function as a social and charity group.

September 13, 1940 was the date of incorporation for the Warren Point Square Club and from its nine original members the group has grown to 102 today, including Masons from all over the country and even some from foreign lands.

The basic interests of the club are charity, education and the welfare of all.

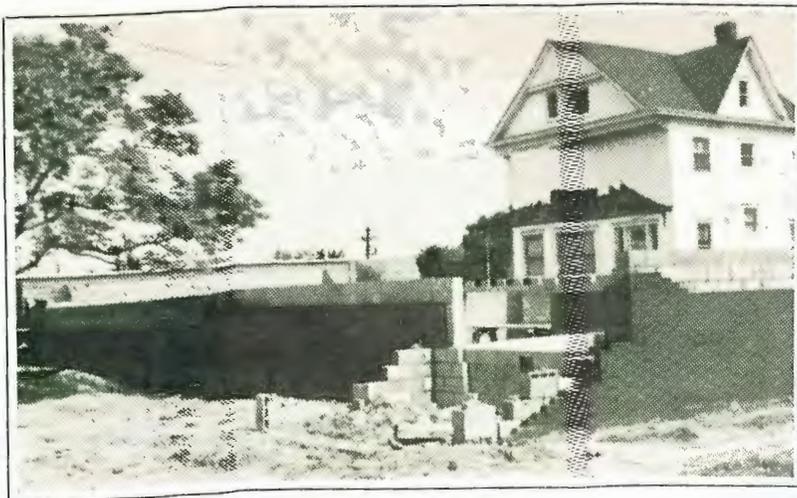
The Warren Point Square Club acquired its own building in 1945 when it purchased the land for its clubhouse on Monroe Street. Currently serving as president of the Warren Point Square Club is Donald Eelman, and Archie Aitchison is chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Benevolent Lodge No. 45 F. & A. M.

Benevolent Lodge No. 45 F. & A. M. has been in existence for 117 years. It held its first meeting on August 26, 1857 in Paterson, and continued to meet in that city until March 21, 1969 when it moved to Fair Lawn, thus becoming the first Masonic Lodge to meet in the borough.

During its long history, Benevolent Lodge has had among its members many prominent citizens, to include leaders in government and industry. Members of the Benevolent Lodge have served in every war since the Civil War.

The lodge has always functioned as a progressive and charitable lodge. Currently serving as Worshipful Master is Joseph St. Miklossy.



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TO THIS EDIFICE TO PROGRESS

We of the Cosmos Club are proud to have been a part of Fair Lawn for 23 of the 50 years our community has been in existence.

Similar to Fair Lawn in its early years, the Cosmos Club struggled desperately for recognition and survival during its infancy.

From obscurity to prominence, from financial insecurity to financial solvency, from one dollar donation to thousand dollar contributions, and from a foggy dream to crystal clear reality has been the 23 year history of the Cosmos Club of Fair Lawn.

We are proud of our donations to worthy Fair Lawn charities through the years. We are also proud of former police chief Michael Vanore and former Deputy Mayor Michael A. Canger, Jr., who founded our organization.

Of all our accomplishments through the years however, we are most proud of being a part of the wonderful community of Fair Lawn with its warm friendly people and civic pride.

We look forward to many more happy years in the borough and are working hard to make certain that our children and grandchildren will participate in Fair Lawn celebrating its centennial.

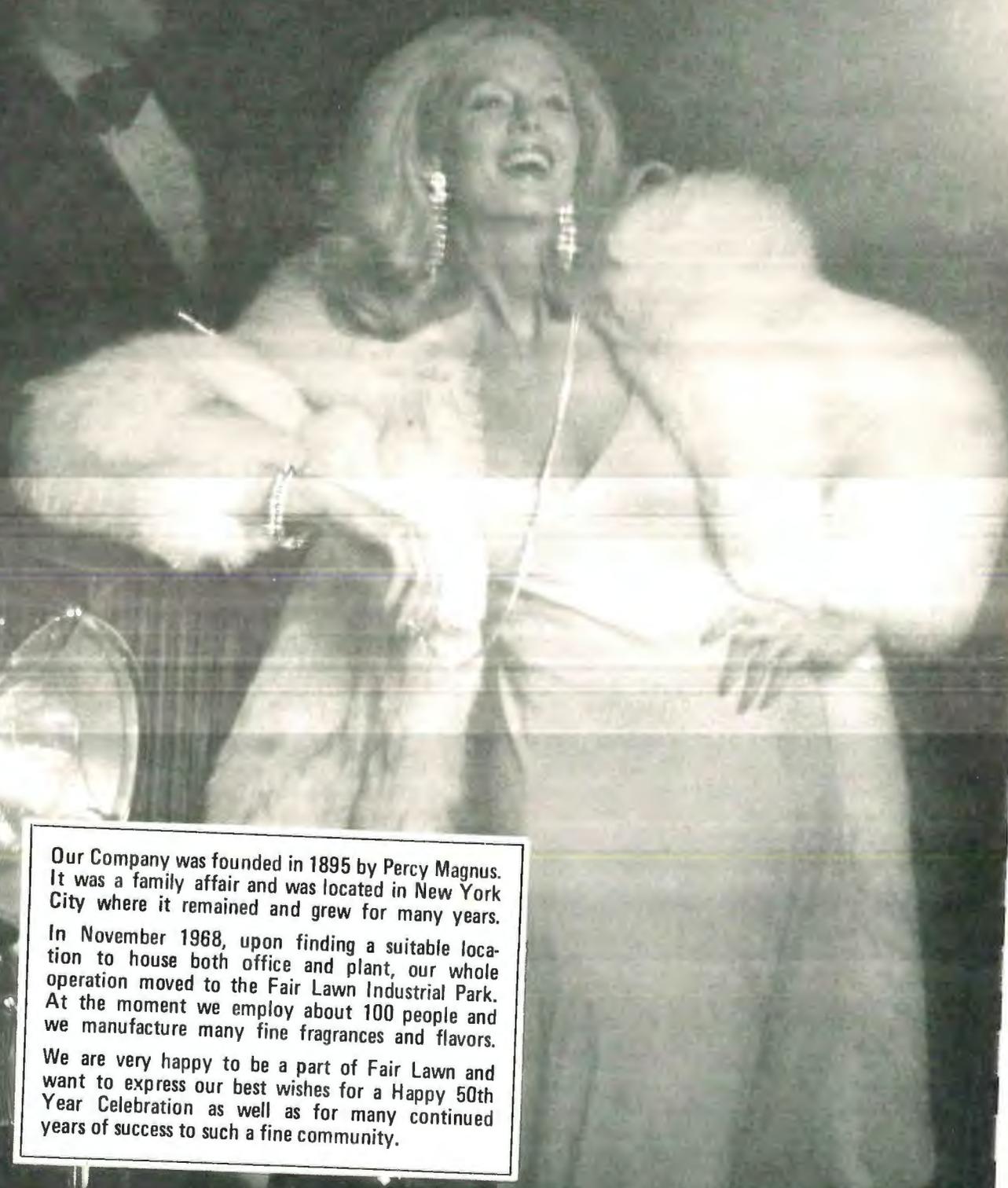


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Veteran's Organizations

Harry Coppendyke Post No. 171 American Legion

In October 1929, a group of men met at the Borough Hall to discuss the probability of an American Legion Post in Fair Lawn. A dozen men were present at the meeting and, as a result, the Harry Coppendyke Post No. 171 was formed. The post was named for Harry Coppendyke, the first Fair Lawn resident to die on the battlefield in France during World War I.

The post was officially chartered on January 10, 1930. John Vander Wiede, a World War I veteran is the only living charter member of the post.

The post home on River Road was erected in 1941. Thomas Croughan, past post commander, noted that the ground breaking ceremony for the structure was planned on December 7, 1941. This was the day that the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor.

The American Legion Post, the oldest veterans group in the borough, remains active today with membership open to all veterans. Over the years the group has awarded scholarships and has given citations to young people for outstanding accomplishments. The group also participates as sponsors for sports activities for the youth of the community.

Lt. James I. Platt Post Jewish War Veterans Post No. 651

The Jewish War Veterans Post was instituted on November 28, 1950 with a membership of 60. It has since grown to its present strength of 355. In the early years meetings took place in the Jewish Center, a play-

house and a beauty parlor. In August, 1962 the present building on Berdan Avenue and Plaza Road was dedicated. These days discussions center on the possibility of expansion to better accommodate the growing membership.

Throughout the years many officers of the post have gone on to county and state leadership and the post itself has won honors on the state level.

Members of the post are untiring in their efforts for hospitalized veterans and the post color guard has been especially active.

The post has contributed to the Fair Lawn Mental Health Center, worked for the Israel Bond Drives and has sponsored a baseball team.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 281

V.F.W. Post No. 281 was established on March 7, 1940. Some 25 veterans were among the original group. In June, 1940 a ladies auxiliary unit was formed and the groups initially met at the firehouse on Broadway.

The V.F.W. later moved to a building known as "The Shack" at the corner of Broadway and Fair Lawn Parkway. Eventually the post outgrew the small building and many fund-raising activities were conducted to build the present post home.

The V.F.W. Post broke ground for its present building at the corner of Morlot Avenue and McKinley Street in June, 1954 and moved into the completed headquarters the following year. At present, Post No. 281 sponsors many activities to include bicycle safety, hospital visits, and others. A present member, William Stafford, is the past commander of the State V.F.W.



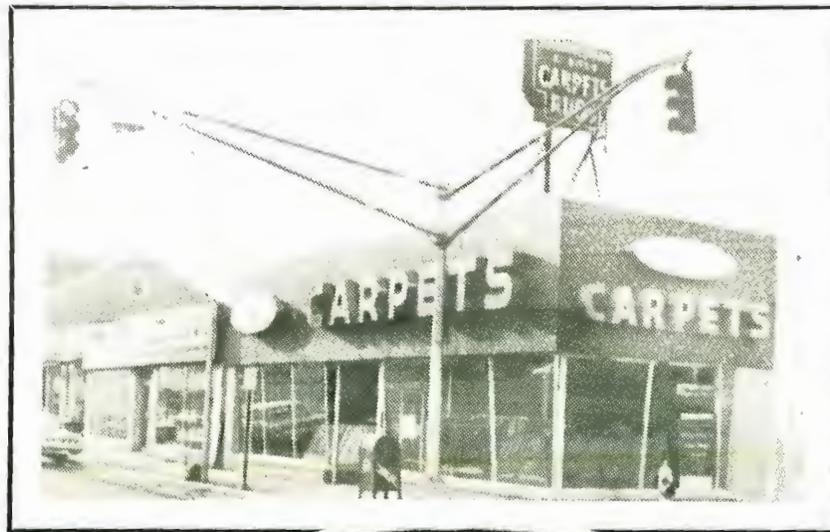
OFFICERS OF THE JEWISH WAR VETERANS. (from left): Jules Kaplan, Alan Paley, Irv Fine, Lee Levine and Burt Kidorf.

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Catholic War Veterans Post No. 1076

The Catholic War Veterans Post No. 1076 was established at St. Anne's Church in 1946 by Father Anthony O'Driscoll and some 60 charter members.

Over the years the group has awarded scholarships for children attending area Catholic high schools, sent packages to local residents serving in Vietnam, and has sponsored basketball and baseball teams at St. Anne's Church.

Hospital work for veterans is also a major part of the Catholic War Veterans activities. The group meets monthly at the Post home of the Jewish War Veterans.

Cultural Activities

Through the years, life in Fair Lawn has been enriched by the many cultural activities offered in the borough and by the many groups which have developed in this area.

The Community Festival of the Arts, an annual event under the sponsorship of the Recreation Department, is a day-long event which affords borough residents an opportunity to participate in a variety of cultural events.

Summer Concerts at Memorial Park, under the direction of Isadore Freeman, have been given for the past 13 years and have attracted thousands of delighted concert-goers.

In the area of dramatic arts, the Radburn Players and the Fair Lawn Old Library Theatre both give regular productions.

Recently, the Fair Lawn Community Concert Association was formed in order to promote an interest in the arts. The group will sponsor major concerts in the community.

Organizations For The Youth Of The Community

Boy Scouts

Fair Lawn's first Boy Scout troop was organized in the borough two years after the borough's incorporation. In March, 1926 Boy Scout Troop 45 was chartered under the sponsorship of the Fair Lawn Athletic Club. The group was later sponsored by the Van Riper-Ellis Memorial Baptist Church and the Fair Lawn High School PTA. Still in existence today, Troop 45 is now sponsored by the John A. Forrest PTA.

In 1937, Cub Pack 45 was organized under the

sponsorship of the Fair Lawn Community Club. From 1941 to 1947 the group was sponsored by the Van Riper-Ellis Memorial Baptist Church.

In 1931 Boy Scout Troop 53 was organized, sponsored by the Radburn Citizens Association which provided Grange Hall for its meetings. A Cub Pack was formed three years later.

Other troops were organized in 1932 at the Warren Point Presbyterian Church (Troop 60) and in 1938 at the Lincoln School (Troop 57).

Today nine cub packs and 12 scout troops operate within the borough with more than 700 boys involved.

Girl Scouts

Girl scouting in Fair Lawn was started by local residents who had been members of troops as children in Paterson. When they saw the need for organized girls' activities in the borough, they took their knowledge, enthusiasm and ideas from their own scouting experiences and formed the first girl scout troops in Fair Lawn. Troop No. 2 was the first to be formed in 1927 at the Warren Point School.

Subsequently Troop No. 24 met at School 3 in 1928 and Troop 54 in Columbia Heights. All these groups have since been disbanded.

Today some 600 girls participate in the girl scouting program in Fair Lawn with nearly 100 women serving in leadership positions. Rita Shore serves as neighborhood chairman, coordinating all girl scouting activities in Fair Lawn.

4-H Clubs

Four Fair Lawn groups participate in the total youth program offered by the national 4-H organization.

The 4-H Camping Cavies, formed two years ago, involve themselves in the following areas: ecology, historic preservation, small animals, agriculture and citizenship. Their leader is Lois Horowitz. In 1973, the Camping Cavies won first place in the state for their ecology projects and first place in the Bergen County contest for window displays. They were recently given an honor award in Washington, D.C. for their work in historic preservation. The club has 18 members.

The Saturday Gourmets and the Cookie Cutters are two 4-H groups operating under the auspices of the Fair Lawn Recreation Department. Anna Bures and Mae Campos are leaders of the Saturday Gourmets and Robert Boss leads the Cookie Cutters. Both clubs are involved with cooking activities.

Another 4-H group meets during the school year sponsored by St. Anne's Church. Ann Vanderwiede, Fran Yuskaitis, Liz Mondello, Mrs. Nagy, Ruth Garde and Anne Storozuk are the leaders. Sewing, cooking and citizenship are among the activities offered by this group.



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THE SERVICE TEAM OF THE FAIR LAWN GIRL SCOUT LEADERS ASSOCIATION. Front seated (from left): Rita Shore, JoAnn McCann and Marge Miller. Center: Lois O'Neil and Connie Giglio. Standing (from left): Hazel Zabriskie, Phyllis Roe, Liz Coyle and Liz Gelstein. Not present for photo: Mary Murtha, Barbara Tecchio and Carol Nunn.

Streets Named After Early Residents

Many of the present day streets in Fair Lawn are named after the families who first lived there. These streets include Berdan, Terhune, Hopper, Morlot, Ellis and Cadmus, Vogel streets.

A great number of the streets are named for borough officials and other leaders in the community. Some of these streets are Ackerman Drive, Brennan Court, Burke Place, Camp Court, Canger Place, Comerford Place, Dobrin Court, Greydanus Place, Grunstra Place, Hale Place, Henderson Boulevard, Knott Terrace, Kriesmer Place, Kuiken Terrace, Lamring Drive, Lyle Terrace, Matule Drive, Naugle Drive, Smith Avenue and Tanis Place.

History Mirrored In Borough Emblem

The borough's emblem (the front cover of this book) was designed by a local resident, Bart Aisenbrey. The significance of the various parts of the emblem are derived mainly from Fair Lawn's history.

The borough seal consists of a beveled shield with a bend cottised and half sun with rays on each side. The bend is decorated with three plowshares. The emblem has two upright figures—an Indian with a bow on one side and a Dutch settler on the other. Underneath the shield supporting the two figures is a scroll inscribed with the year of incorporation, 1924.

The Indian on the seal represents the original in-

Fair Lawn's Name— Is It Fair Lawn or Fairlawn?

The State Law of 1933, Chapter 343, states in its preamble that our borough was incorporated as "Fairlawn" but "whereas, the said borough has frequently been spelled Fair Lawn, and by reason thereof, great confusion has existed as to the correct name of the borough; therefore, be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey: the borough of Fairlawn . . . shall hereafter be known by the name of Fair Lawn."

According to the 1876 Atlas of Bergen County, the farms in this area averaged about 76 acres each, with meadow, plowland and swamp about equally divided.

habitants of the Fair Lawn area. They were members of the Leni Lenape tribe. The figure on the left represents the Dutch settlers who purchased tracts of land from the Indians.

The three plowshares are derived from the state seal and are symbolic of the farming which was the main occupation of the early settlers in this area.

The yellow sun in the emblem represents the "Fair" in Fair Lawn and the "Lawn" is represented by the green in the field of the shield. Yellow and green are the borough's official colors.

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Political Life In Fair Lawn

Fair Lawn's political life, during the past 50 years has been what might be considered typical. The nation had developed a basic two party system and Fair Lawn is no exception. Today, both Republicans and Democrats are active in the life of the community and continue to contribute to its well-being.



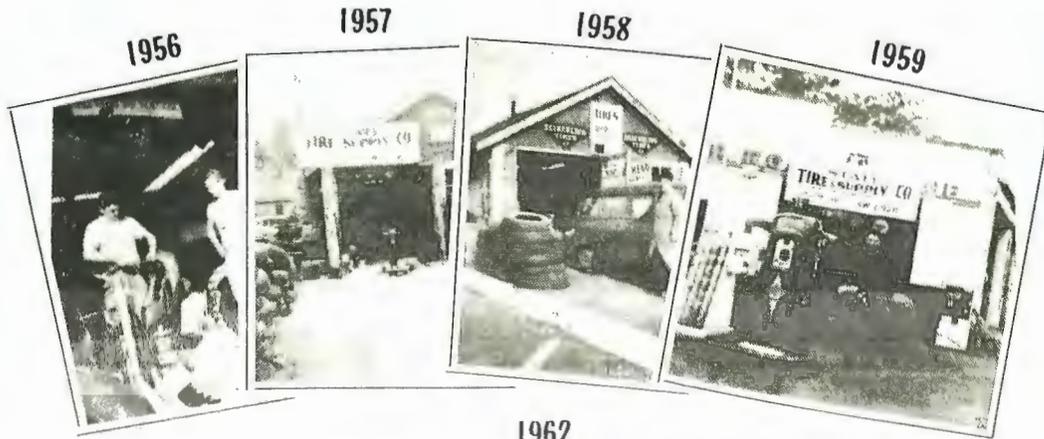
FAIR LAWN REPUBLICAN CLUB. First row (from left): Doris M. Ceely, Treasurer; Tom Marshall, President and Dorothy Loebel, Trustee. Second row: Joseph Rongo, Program Chairman; Irma Merkel, Financial Secretary; Pat Burgess, Corresponding Secretary and Frank Lieb, Vice President. Third row: Arnold Dater, Trustee, John Cosgrove, Nicholas R. Felice, C. Guy Rys, Past President and John H. Kolaga, Immediate Past President. Not present for photo: Albert Merboth, Trustee, Joseph Filippone, Past President, Richard Vander Plaats, Past President and Virginia Edwards, Recording Secretary.



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