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GOLDEN AGE CLUB

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NUTLEY's Golden Age Club marked the tenth anniversary of its founding with a dinner at Gene Boyle's, in Clifton, on May 7, 1959. The guests of honor included Mrs. S. Rush Mountsier Jr., president of the Women's Auxiliary of the Nutley Family Service Bureau, which sponsors the club; Mrs. Kathryn McKenna, executive director of the Bureau; the late Mrs. Cecil V. Romney, former executive secretary of the Bureau, and Mrs. William Longfelder.

The club, which now numbers 40 women members, was formed following a suggestion made, in 1948, by Mrs. Romney, to the projects committee, which was headed at the time by Mrs. Charles B. Royce. Through Mrs. Royce's enthusiasm for the project, a committee was formed to investigate the sources of aid, meeting place and leaders.

The problem of a meeting place was solved when the American Legion, through its commander at that time, Howard McCann, offered a room with kitchen privileges in the Post Headquarters building, on Franklin Avenue. To this day, members of the club meet at Legion headquarters every Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Legion having adopted the idea as its community project.

On April 22, 1949, a group of 15 prospective members met at a tea given by Miss Flora Loudon, of the Town Recreation Committee, and Mrs. Howard P. Penny, who has been chairman of the project for the past ten years.

The Golden Age Club provides a source of pleasant recreation for its members, who weekly enjoy getting together. Occasionally they have slides, special birthday and holiday parties as well as trips to out-of-town restaurants. For years members have sewed for hospitals, visited the sick and the aged and helped older people interest themselves in hobbies. They have also organized a glee club.

Mrs. Lyle Peaver is co-chairman of the volunteers supervising activities; Mrs. Carl Parry is chairman of transportation, and Mrs. W. T. Nelson and Miss Louise Philhower, are accompanists.

Officers of the club are Mrs. Francis J. Liebert, president; Miss Emma Beatus, vice president, and Mrs. Morris Wood, secretary-treasurer.