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How It's Done at YWCA

Seen here, a Yoga class is demonstrated by Miss Beverly Johanson for visitors at the Adult Open House. Pictured are Mrs. Maurice Morrisseau, Left, and Mrs. Frank Dixon, YWCA President.

from The Standard Times, January 8, 1971



Nutrition Program Graduates Class of 18

Below, earning her diploma, Mrs. Marguerite Lobo, Left, was among 18 women who graduated in the YWCA Nutrition class. Giving her diploma was Mrs. Paula Shuck, Center, and Miss Barbara O. Brien, Right.



Weekly Hobby Club

A woodworking class is seen here as part of the YWCA Weekly Hobby Club. Pictured are Denise Rybka, Left, Nancy Nissen and Martha Self with instructor Jerry Vinci. The YWCA Weekly Hobby Club featured many hobbies and was for all ages.

from the Standard Times, January 3, 1971

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Solo Parents Group

YWCA has created a group in order to solve the problems of bringing up children alone through the Solo Parents Group. The program was created to provide opportunities for recreation for single parent families. Seen in the picture are Cheryl Whitmer and her mother Janice, Left, Susan Salvo and her mother Anne and Mark Schneider, whose father Harold is standing. from *The Standard Times*, January 21, 1971

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Ecology Information Desk and Hotline

Pictured Above: Left, Mark Oberg, Chairmen, Deborah Paquette, Artist, Margaret Payne, Resources, and Diane Desmarais, Secretary work a hotline to receive pollution complaints and to give information on environmental concerns. from *The Standard Times*, January 21, 1971

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Preparing for Community Show

Pictured below, Mrs. Beatrice Guilmette, Left, and Mrs. Joseph F. Martin, Center, go over plans for the annual Community Show of the New Bedford YWCA with Mrs. Anthony Nobrega Jr.
from *The Standard Times*, March 18, 1971



Auction to Benefit YWCA World Fund

Inspecting articles donated for a silent auction to be held for the benefit of the World Fellowship Committee of the YWCA are Mrs. Amelia B. Greene, Left, and Mrs. Irene Wallgren.
from *The Standard Times*, January 14, 1971



Macramé Workshop

Pictured left, Mrs. Claudette Anne Morrissey, Right, teaches how to make a belt using the art of Macramé to Miss. Linda Smith, Left.
from *The Standard Times*, April 1, 1971

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Island Style

Pictured left, Mrs. Anna Rose, Left, watches Cecily Turnbull practice for Hawaiian Night at the YWCA. She will be performing traditional Hawaiian Dances.
from *The Standard Times*, April 29, 1973

Pictured below, African fashions and materials are displayed by Mrs. Niogha Okeke at the YWCA Community Show.

from *The Standard Times*, April 29, 1971



Above, Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Wu (seated) and Dr. Tao Chen Hsia featured their Chinese Culture through traditional pottery, bamboo plates and paintings in the International Exhibit at the YWCA Community Show.

from *The Standard Times*, April 9, 1971

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Board President, 1969-1973



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Executive Director, 1970-1987



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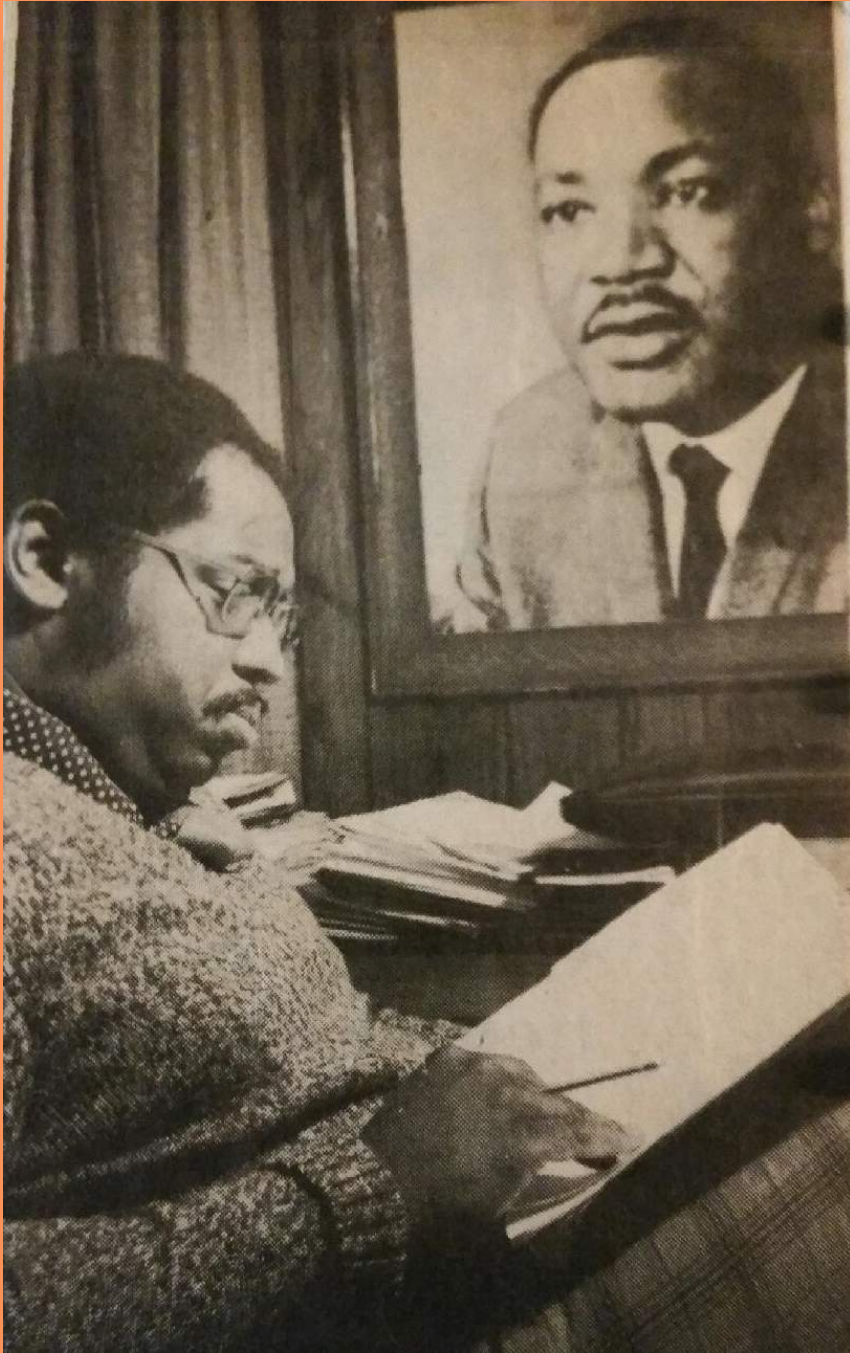


Sr. Rosellen Gallogly
Board President, 1975-1977



Bonnie Werly
Board President, 1979-1980

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Preparing an Address

The Reverend William Howard of the Union Baptist Church works on his speech to be delivered at the 3rd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Service at the YWCA.

from *The Standard Times*, January 14, 1977



“Black Women Today”

Pictured right, Doris J. Wright presented on the subject “The Black Women Today” at the YWCA luncheon.

from *The Standard Times*, March 30, 1974



Lead Workshop

Claudine Wilder, standing, takes questions during a One-Day Women’s Growth Workshop at the YWCA.

from *The Standard Times*, April 20, 1974

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YWCA Youth Power

Students within the YWCA's Youthpower group advertise for their first meeting.

from The Standard Times, June 3, 1970



Profiles

Miss Melissa Slaughter, a member of the YWCA "Young Black Women in Action", shows a collage illustrating black related topics.

from The Standard Times, August 4, 1974

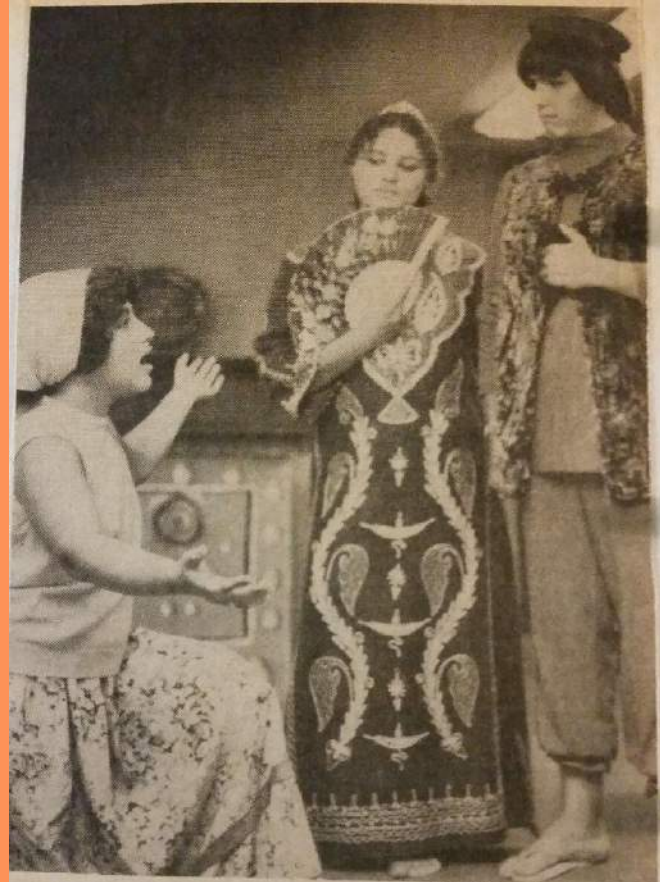
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Youth Power Program Helps Youth Gain Employment

Left, Isabel Alves, Youth Power Advisor, helps Deborah Norman fill out an application.

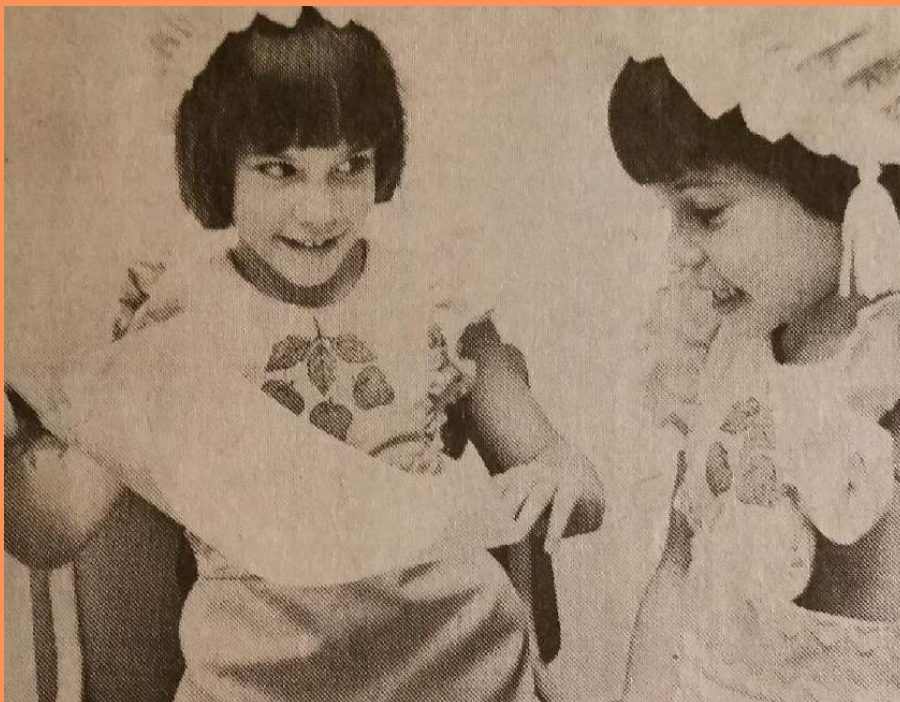
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The Emperor's New Clothes

Teens put on production of *The Emperor's New Clothes*. Pictured above is Robin Silva, Left, addressing "Empress" Erica Piedad and "Emperor" Ron Choquette.

from *The Standard Times*, August 17, 1973



YWCA Toddler Workshop

Tricia and Tracey Oliveira, twin 4 year old daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Oliveira receive their diplomas after graduating from the YWCA Toddler Workshop.

from *The Standard Times*, June 28, 1973



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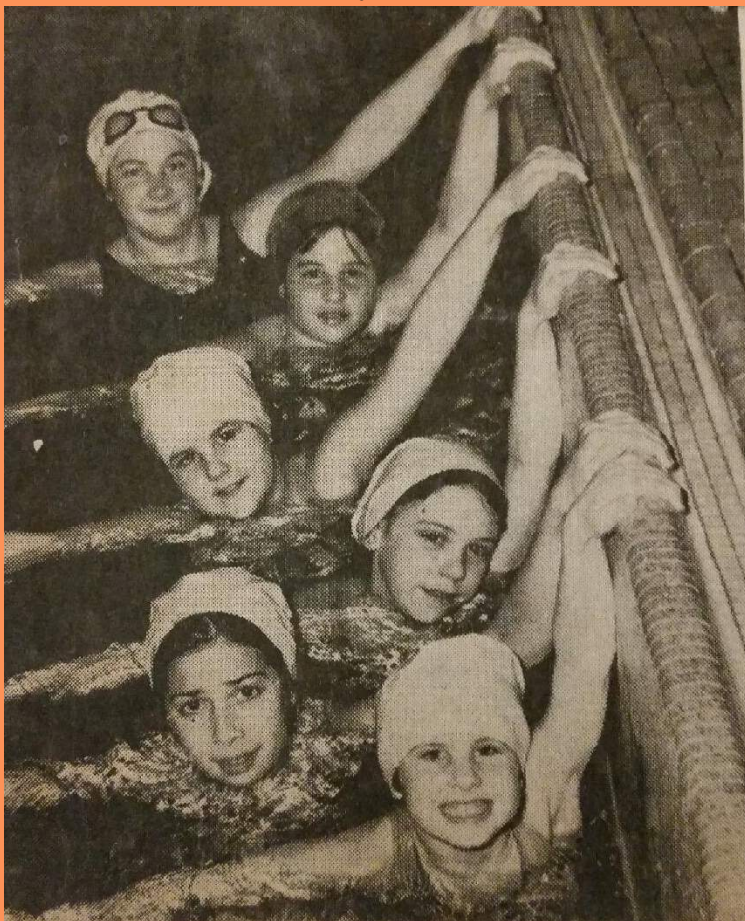
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Water Ballet

Above, eight members of the Doll-Fins, a YWCA swim team, rehearse for the 2nd Annual Water Ballet Show.
from *The Standard Times*, May 23, 1973



Front to Back; Kathy Foster, 6, Karen Benoit, 12, Karen Wilson, 11, Kendra Wilson, 10, Sandy Benoit, 11, and Katy Montigny,

10 18 practice their laps during the YWCA Swim-A-Long.

from *The Standard Times*, February 24, 1977

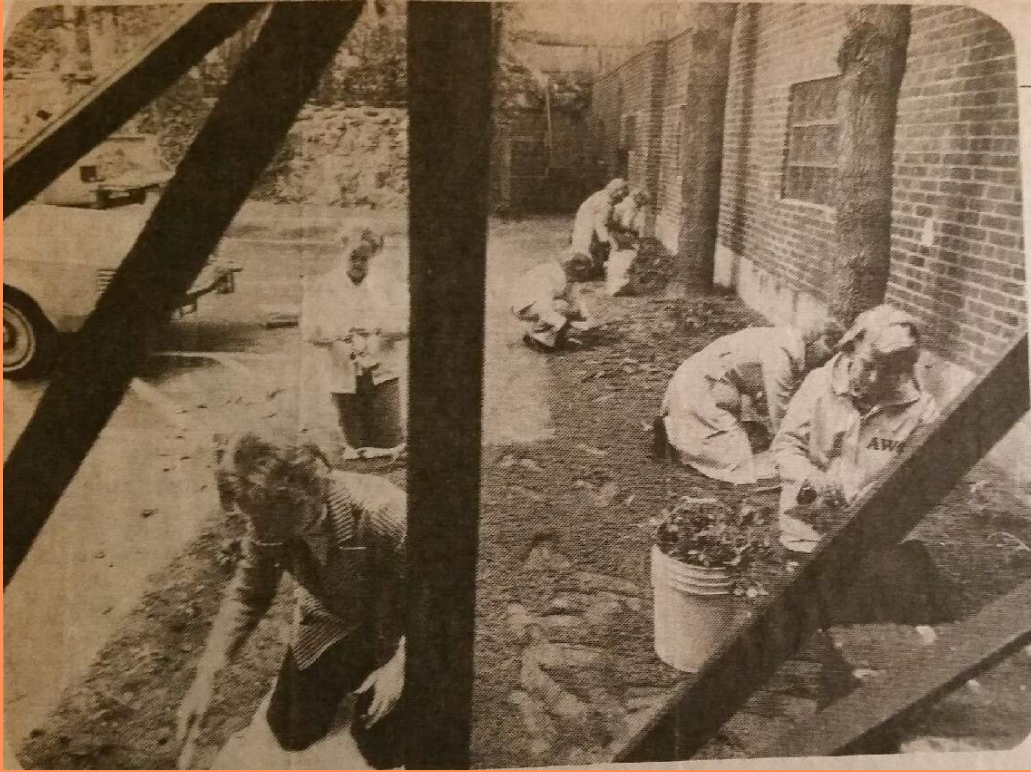


Practice Session

Above, Patricia St. Aubin hands Daniel Denealt a towel after he completes a practice session for a YWCA sponsored open swim meet.

from *The Standard Times*, May 20, 1971

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Many Green Thumbs

Women of the New Bedford Garden Club plant greenery behind the YWCA Building as part of a beautification initiative for the City of New Bedford.
from *The Standard Times*, May 29, 1973

Signing Up

From left, Miss Deborah Cavanaugh and Mrs. Annette Desrosiers get equipment after signing up for the YWCA Tennis Club. Mrs. Rita Grenon hands over a racquet during an open house.

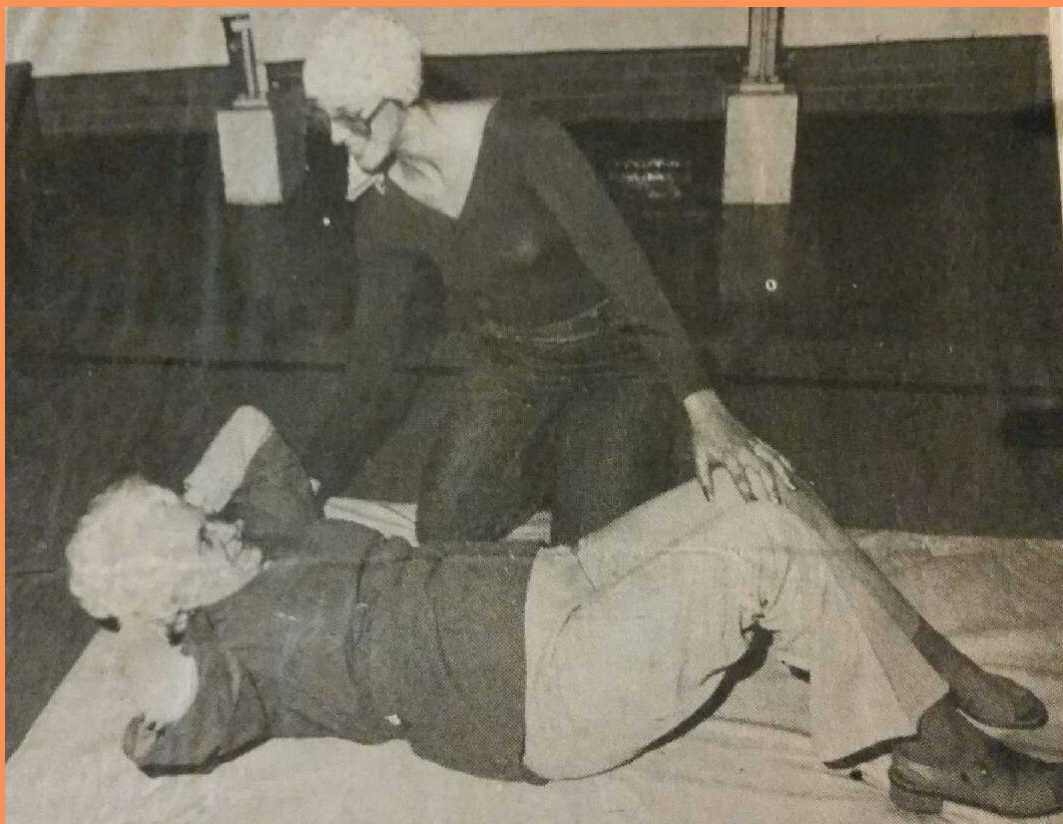
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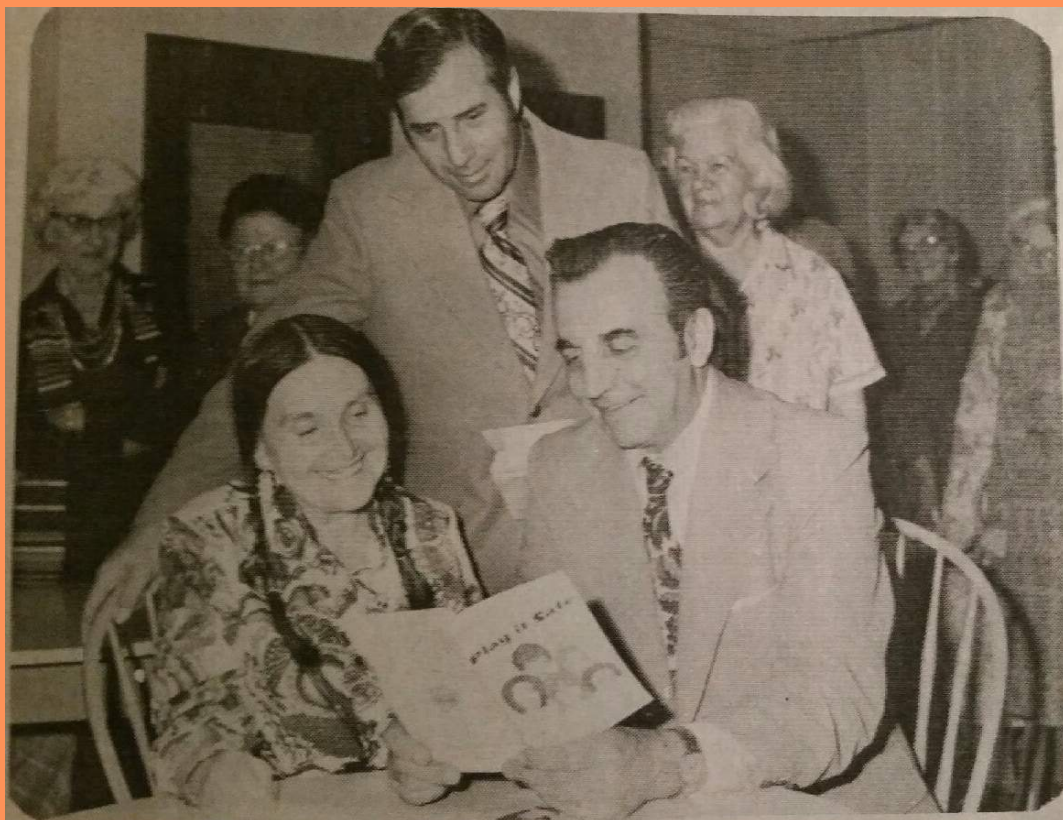
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Keeping Fit

Mrs. Evelyn Morse explains an exercise to Ms. Mary Stabile during the Exercise Workshop for senior citizens. The YWCA program was designed to increase mobility for seniors 49 and older.

from *The Standard Times*,
October 25, 1976



Play it Safe

Pictured left, Patrolman Raymond Furtado, standing, and Captain A. J. Correia discuss some ideas senior citizens can use to protect themselves with Edna Harrington while members of the YWCA Senior Corner gather around.

from *The Standard Times*,
February 29, 1976

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Gifts to Those in Need

Mrs. Eva Munro and Mrs. Lois Lavalette help to make gifts at the YWCA Senior Corner. Gifts will go to shut-ins to brighten their Christmas.

from *The Standard Times*,
December 6, 1976



Awaiting the Call

Senior Citizens of the YWCA Senior Corner await the call of numbers for their bingo cards. The YWCA Senior Corner offers a variety of games, recreational activities, entertainment, and wellness programs.

from *The Standard Times*,
February 7, 1977

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Ready For A Spin

Richard Serra and Mrs. Phyllis Sweeney, Chairman of Commercial Exhibits for the YWCA Community Show, prepare a two person bicycle for display.
from *The Standard Times*, April 3, 1971

Home For A Visit

Seen pictured right, Mrs. Barbara Mazaheri poses with her daughters, Suzanne, left, and Shireen dressed in native Iranian garments. Mrs. Mazaheri will discuss her country during the YWCA's Luncheon on the theme of different cultures and countries.
from *The Standard Times*, September 14, 1974



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YWCA Community Show

Pictured Left, Dorothy Wellington Britt, left, and Barbara Wellington show off their decorative items made from can tops and acrylic for the YWCA Community Show.

from *The Standard Times*, March 22, 1973

Pictured below from left, Mrs. Frederick W. Underhill, Miss Yvonne Barksdale, Miss Lorraine Lafleur and Edward Cambra prepare for the YWCA Community Show.

from *The Standard Times*, March 23, 1970



Lebanese Dance

Mrs. Flora Coury Azar demonstrates a traditional Lebanese dance at the YWCA Community Show

from *The Standard Times*, March 16, 1973

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