

A baseball diamond used by town leagues is in the rear of the South Side Firehouse. The Softball leagues are open to all interested. Announcement regarding the organization meeting and registration is made through the school system and each player is put on a team and gets an opportunity to play. The Midget League covers boys 8-12, Junior League 13-16, and the Senior League 17 and up.

Basketball leagues operate the same way. For boys 8-16 bowling is available every Saturday morning at the Blue Star Bowling Lanes during the season.

A tennis clinic is held once a year at \$1 fee for eight weeks. Tennis courts are free.

A Hallowe'en Parade is held that evening, weather permitting. It commences from the Rescue Squad Building, Bartle Avenue, and terminates in the Junior High School Auditorium, where prizes are awarded.

The Annual Christmas display and home decorating contest has no formal entry. Three judges ride through town viewing all displays usually during the week of December 26-31. Winners are awarded prizes.

The "Miss Playground" contest is held in conjunction with the closing of the playground season each year. Elimination contests are held in each playground and finalists compete for the title.

A park area may be reserved in advance by calling the Recreation Commission office at 322-6226, and a permit is then mailed.

The Board of Recreation Commissioners, first organized in 1946, is responsible for the town's recreation program. It is composed of five members who are appointed by the Township Committee for one to five year terms. All serve without compensation. The Recreation Superintendent is salaried, as is one part-time typist-clerk-stenographer.

During the summer months 12 recreation supervisors are employed. The department operates under State Civil Service.

Facilities are maintained by two maintenance workers, others are employed as needed, supplemented by one park custodian.

The rock garden with fountain in the rear of town hall, where children

ice skate in the winter and teenagers dance in the summer, is maintained by the Recreation Department.

The establishment of a new playground in the Cedarbrook area off Westfield Road is in the planning stage.

