

DENNIS SEARS

CLASS OF 1971

Dennis Sears graduated from Point Pleasant High School with the Class of 1971. Upon graduation, he became a member of Point Pleasant Fire Co. #2, and remains a life member today. While active in the Fire Company, he served from the Engineer's position up to the Borough Fire Chief in 1985, as well as a Company trustee for several years. Dennis began his career working for the Borough in 1976, when he was hired as a Temporary Laborer, and was subsequently made permanent in the position. In 1985, in association with the Public Works Association of New Jersey, Dennis enrolled in Rutgers University to attend the "first in the nation" Public Works Manager Certification class. He graduated in 1988 with a designation as a Public Manager, and became the Works Point Pleasant

Superintendent of Public Works in 1993. As the maintains Superintendent, Mr. Sears membership in professional Water and Public Works numerous Associations, having served as a state level officer in some. Dennis is also the Borough Representative to the Ocean County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund, appointed by the Mayor and Council to the position each year since 1991.

Mr. Sears was actively involved with the youth soccer program in Point Pleasant, beginning with coaching his sons and other children in the town recreation league and on "tournament teams" that played in tournaments around the Shore. He obtained his "F" license and moved on to coaching at the travelling level in the Monmouth Ocean Soccer Association. Prior to his children attending high school, Dennis became involved with the High School Booster Association and remained active for a few years following their graduation. Mr. Sears is proud that during his active time with the Boosters, he was able to orchestrate a new Concession stand with minimal costs to the school system or the Boosters. He also was a multi-year volunteer chaperone for Project Graduation.

Dennis was active in the early years of the Point Pleasant Foundation, serving as a Trustee for the group for two years. He also served a term on the Point Pleasant Planning Board.

Dennis married his high school sweetheart, Mary Carter (Class of '73) in 1974, and remains a resident of Point Pleasant. His two sons, Christopher (Class of '98) and Nicholas (Class of '01), are also graduates of the Point Pleasant schools.