

## The Bolger Heritage Center for Local History & Genealogy

was dedicated in honor of Mr.

**David F. Bolger on June 16, 2011**



David F. Bolger

David Bolger is internationally respected for his success in business, and for his legendary philanthropic giving. Mr. Bolger's generosity has improved historic Ridgewood buildings, parks and organizations, and his support of the Ridgewood Public Library has truly enhanced our community's educational and cultural services.

The Library will always benefit from Mr. Bolger's majestic restoration of the original Pease Memorial Library, which gave this Ridgewood landmark new purpose and won top Historic Preservation honors. Mr. Bolger's leadership gifts led to the creation of our new Heritage Center. Today we enjoy a new barrier-free Main Entrance, the Library Colonnade, beautiful spring gardens, new seating and lighting, and video security, all thanks to David Bolger's vision, kindness and generosity.

## THE BOLGER HERITAGE CENTER

### LOCAL HISTORY & GENEALOGY SERVICES

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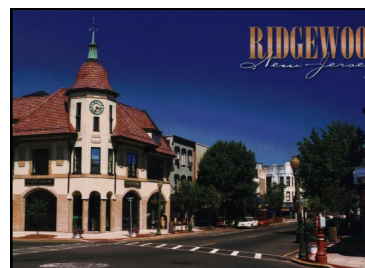
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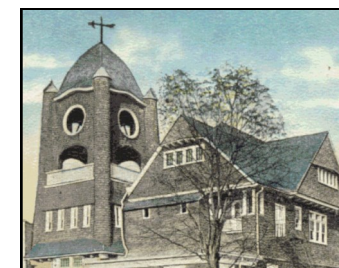
Ridgewood Public Library  
*circa 1965*



Ridgewood High School  
*circa 1919*



Downtown Historic District  
*circa 2000*



Opera House, 1893-1932  
(site of today's bus station)

## The Bolger Heritage Center

### Open all Library Hours to Welcome Visitors

<b>Monday - Thursday</b>	<b>9 am - 9 pm</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9 am - 6 pm</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9 am - 5 pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>1 pm - 5 pm</b>

**Sarah Kiefer, Local History Librarian**

201-670-5600, ext. 135 [heritagecenter@ridgewoodlibrary.org](mailto:heritagecenter@ridgewoodlibrary.org)

**Visitors are invited to sign in with identification to help protect the Heritage Center's unique and valuable holdings.**

We welcome membership cards from BCCLS Libraries & Genealogical Society  
Guests may request assistance at the Reference Desk



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## The Heritage Center is a Service of The Ridgewood Public Library

125 North Maple Avenue  
Ridgewood, New Jersey 07450  
[www.ridgewoodlibrary.org/localhistory](http://www.ridgewoodlibrary.org/localhistory)

**In Partnership with  
The Genealogical Society of Bergen County**

**Ridgewood Library Reference Desk**  
201-670-5600, ext. 130 [ridgewoodlibrary.org](http://ridgewoodlibrary.org)

# BOLGER HERITAGE CENTER RESOURCES

## GENEALOGY STUDIES

### BOOKS

- Beginners Genealogy
- Family History
- Genealogical Records
- Geographical Resources
- Military History

### DATABASES

- Ancestry.com Library Edition
- Access Newspaper Archives
- American Ancestors
- New York Times Historical 1851-2009

### CLASSES & PROGRAMS

- Technology Classes
- Local History Lectures
- Meetings & programs of *Genealogical Society of Bergen County*

### CATALOGS

[www.bccls.org](http://www.bccls.org)

Books & Media: 75 Libraries  
Access from anywhere

### Heritage CATalog

Ridgewood photographs & more  
viewable online.

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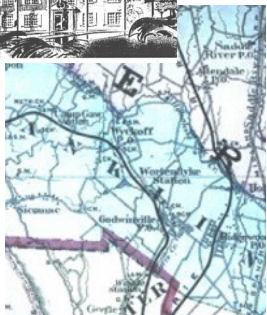
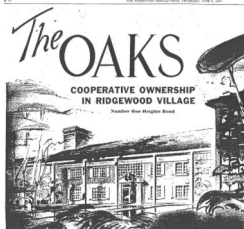
## LOCAL HISTORY - BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITIES

### NEWSPAPERS

- 1970-2013 *Bergen Record*, microfilm
- 1891-2011 *Ridgewood* newspapers, film
- 1861-1919 *Bergen County Democrat*, film
- 1873-1938 *Hackensack Republican*, film
- 2009-present *Ridgewood News*, eEdition
- 2010-present *Record*, eEdition

### SPECIAL RESOURCES

- Church and Cemetery Records
- Corey-Hopkins 1861 Wall Map
- Bromley Atlas, 1912-1913
- Walker Atlas, 1876
- NY & NJ History Collections



## RIDGEWOOD ARCHIVES



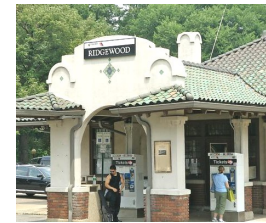
Books



Ridgewood H.S. **Arrow**  
Yearbooks & Photographs  
1908 - 2013



City Directories  
1897-1973



Photographs, Postcards & Documents

1698 - present

## PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH CONSULTATIONS

BY APPOINTMENT, TO ASSIST WITH

- Archival Research Projects
- Curriculum development for educators
- Original Publications and Histories of notable Ridgewood Events, Homes, People and more ...

## GENEALOGY ASSISTANCE

Volunteers from *The Genealogical Society of Bergen County* gladly assist beginner or expert researchers in using all genealogical resources.

By appointment; please see Genealogy Calendar at Heritage Center or visit [www.njgsbc.org](http://www.njgsbc.org)