



## The L. Suzio Co. Family of Employees

In the business world, longevity is often an indication of a company's commitment to quality products and services, as well as a dedication to both its customers and its employees. For this reason, it comes as no surprise that Meriden's L. Suzio-York Hill Companies are celebrating their 110th anniversary as one of central Connecticut's premier construction material providers.

"The Suzio family takes care of their employees and their customers in the same way," explains Sharon Belanger, a receptionist for L. Suzio Company for 21 years. "It's a caring company, very family orientated."

But the care that the L. Suzio Companies show extends far past their business practices. Aside from being involved in many local projects - including supplying concrete and asphalt for the base of Meriden's Falcon Field, the recent addition to the Gaylord Hospital, the construction of the Noah's Ark of Hope playground, and continuing work in the

renovations and expansions on both

Yale's and Quinnipiac's campuses the company has also contributed
to many charitable causes.
Recently, the company donated
stone and concrete to the Meriden
Lions Club for their building of a
new storage shed at the Falcon
Field BMX track and provided asphalt
for the track itself, as well as working
closely with the Meriden Boys and Girls

All of these contributions are merely an extension of the same responsible, community-minded decisions this Meriden-

Clubs in their expansion of Camp Cuno.

based business has been making for years. Much of this charitable action also owes itself to the company's reputation as being extremely accessible, helping them maintain high regard in the community, the business world, and in the eyes of their employees. Michael Civali, a maintenance specialist with over 30 years working for the L. Suzio Companies, explains: "One of the biggest reasons this company has been successful is because it's still family owned and accessible, for customers and employees," says Civali, "and that's a big thing."

While customer service is decidedly important at the L. Suzio Companies, a dedication to quality product is always a top priority. Bruce Dykty, who has been sales manager for Suzio for the past 12 years, says that in a world of increasingly educated consumers, maintaining the same excellence in product has become the deciding factor in the industry. According to Dykty, this is just another area in which the L. Suzio Companies excel. "We still offer the same high-quality product that was available fifty years ago," says Dykty.

Having worked for different companies in the industry before coming to Suzio, Dykty claims that the difference in atmosphere at the Suzio Companies was immediately noticeable. "It's a large company, but they have maintained their family roots," explains Dykty. "I feel that in my work that it's my responsibility to represent the Suzio family as well as the company in a positive light."

And it seems like Dykty is not alone in his sentiment. With the help of dedicated employees like Dykty, Civali, and Belanger, the L. Suzio Companies have cemented their reputation both in the industry and in the community for over a century, and plan to continue in the years to come.