

Brian Fahey, Sr., Founded Law Firm; Councilman and Freeholder Chairman

Brian W. Fahey, Sr., formerly of Westfield, N.J., died on Sunday, May 28, 2006 at Morristown Memorial Hospital. He is survived by his loving wife, Catherine; his six children, Maura, Brian Jr., Christian, Jonathan, Noel and David; his mother, Jacqueline, and three brothers, Bud, Dennis and Kevin.

Brian was born on August 15, 1941 to Raymond and Jacqueline Fahey and was raised in West Orange, N.J. He earned his undergraduate degree from Bloomfield College in 1963 and his Juris Doctor from New York Law School in 1968, and within a few years established Fahey & Fahey, a respected law firm in Westfield, N.J.

While raising his family and maintaining his law practice, Brian served

on the Westfield Town Council and went on to become chairman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Brian was the proud grandfather of seven and a beloved brother-in-law and uncle to his large extended family. He spent his last years living and working in Mendham and Far Hills, N.J., where the Fahey & Fahey office currently operates.

A Funeral Mass was held in his honor yesterday, Wednesday, May 31, at St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church in Westfield. Brian was laid to rest at Fairview Cemetery in Westfield.

Arrangements were by the Gray Funeral Home, 318 East Broad Street in Westfield.

June 1, 2006

James Gardner, 85, Air Corps Veteran; Had Been Member of Rescue Squad

James F. Gardner, 85, of Scotch Plains died on Thursday, May 25, at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

Born in Dauphin, Pa., he had lived in Cranford before moving to Scotch Plains in 1936.

Mr. Gardner had been employed with the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education for more than 30 years before retiring as head custodian at School One in 1987.

A veteran of World War II, he served in the United States Army Air Corps as a waist gunner aboard B-17s in the European Theater. He also served as a waist gunner instructor.

Mr. Gardner was a former member of the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad and a member of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA. A longtime member of the Grace Episcopal Church in Plainfield, he served as vestryman

and warden and was a supporter of the church's Plainfield Girl Choir since its inception in 2000.

Surviving is his wife, Janet Stauderman Gardner.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 3, at the Grace Episcopal Church, located at the corner of Seventh Street and Cleveland Avenue in Plainfield.

Arrangements are by the Memorial Funeral Home, 155 South Avenue in Fanwood.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Golden Book of Memories of Grace Episcopal Church, 600 Cleveland Avenue, Plainfield, N.J. 07060 or to the American Heart Association, 2550 US Highway 1, North Brunswick, N.J. 08902.

June 1, 2006

Janina Jackson, 85, Was Assistant Dean; Involved In Scouts, CSH, Local Schools

Janina Albina Rozanski Jackson, 85, a longtime resident of Westfield, died on Monday, May 29.

A native of South Plainfield, she was born on June 15, 1920, the daughter of Michael and Catherine (Papierowska) Rozanski. She graduated in 1938 from North Plainfield High School.

She was a 1942 graduate of New Jersey College for Women, now Douglass College, Rutgers University, with a double major in History and English and a minor in French.

In 1947 she received a master's degree from Columbia University in History and Library Science.

A lifelong educator, Mrs. Jackson taught in many communities. She started her career at Roosevelt School in South Plainfield, where she had originally been a student.

She was Assistant Dean of Women at Alliance College for several years. Throughout the 1950s and 1960s, she taught English as a Second Language and citizenship classes at the Plainfield Adult School.

From 1976 until her retirement in 1992, Mrs. Jackson was a substitute teacher at Westfield High School.

She was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Westfield; a leader at Washington Rock Girl Scout Council; Music Director of Scouts at Children's Specialized Hospital; College Alumnae Class Fund Agent - NIC (Douglass) and Library Advisory Board President for Westfield Public Schools.

She was predeceased by her parents, her husband, Robert W. Jackson, and a sister, Irene Zabalski.

Surviving are a sister, Eleanor Siatkowski; two sons, Robert Jackson and Thomas Jackson, and a daughter, Kathy Jackson.

Visitation will be from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. today, Thursday, June 1, at the Gray Funeral Home, 318 East Broad Street in Westfield.

The funeral will be at 11:30 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, June 2, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 414 East Broad Street in Westfield.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be made to the National Association for the Visually Handicapped or to St. Joseph's School for the Blind in Jersey City.

June 1, 2006

Obituaries

Donald Brader, Jr., 47, BIG Founder; Was President of Westfield Businesses

Donald W. "Skip" Brader, Jr., 47, of Westfield died on Saturday, May 27, at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

Born in Summit, he resided in Westfield his entire life.

Mr. Brader was the president and owner of Brader Engineering in Westfield for the last 15 years. For the last five years, he also was the owner and president of Terrapin Devices in Westfield. He specialized in designing and building electronic devices for the boating industry. Most recently, he worked for Electronic Devices and Controls in Parsippany as an electronic engineer.

A 1977 graduate of Westfield High School, he attended Union County College and Northeastern University.

Mr. Brader was the founder of the

organization BIG (Brightwood Improvement Group), the main function of which was to improve Brightwood Park in Westfield.

He was predeceased by his father, Donald W. Brader, Sr.

Surviving are his mother, Frances Brown Brader, and three sisters, Margaret J. Brader of Westfield, Mary C. Brader of Michigan and Dr. Donna B. Harkness of Massachusetts.

Services will be at 11 a.m. today, Thursday, June 1, at the Gray Funeral Home, 318 East Broad Street in Westfield. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Westfield.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

June 1, 2006

Philip H. Cease, 81, FBI Special Agent; Was Active In Westfield Organizations

Philip Henderson Cease, 81, of Mountainside died on Sunday, May 21, at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

Born December 24, 1924 in Trucksville, Pa., he was the son of Wilson A. and Mary Skaden Cease.

A graduate of Kingston Township High School, he attended Bucknell Junior College, now Wilkes University, before serving three years in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II in the South Pacific Theater.

He graduated from Pennsylvania State University in 1949, majoring in agricultural economics, where he was a member of Delta Theta Sigma fraternity.

Mr. Cease was a Special Agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the Newark and New York offices prior to joining Olin Mathieson Chemical Corporation in Little Rock, Ark. and New York. He joined the Kinney Shoe Corporation in 1969, retiring in 1990 as Vice President of Personnel.

He was a member of the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI, Inc., a former member of the New York Rotary Club and a member of the Pennsylvania State University Alumni Association, having served on the Alumni Council, Development

and Admission Councils.

For many years Mr. Cease was active in the Penn State Club of Northern New Jersey, serving as president and in many other capacities. He also served as president of FISH of Westfield, which provided 24-hour service to those in need, and was a member of the Westfield Historical Society.

He was a Methodist, a member of the George M. Dallas Lodge 531, Free and Accepted Masons, and a member of the Scottish Rite-Valley of Bloomsburg.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Martha Martin Cease of Mountainside.

Memorials, in lieu of flowers, may be made to the Wilson A. and Mae C. Cease Scholarship Fund at Pennsylvania State University, Development Office, 232 Agricultural Administration Building, University Park, Pa. 16802.

A memorial service will be held tomorrow, Friday, June 2, 2006 at 2 p.m. in The Presbyterian Church in Westfield Chapel, 140 Mountain Avenue, Westfield, N.J.

Arrangements are by the Gray Funeral Home, 318 East Broad Street in Westfield.

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Memorial Service to Be Held Saturday For Marion J. Cory In Westfield

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, June 3, at 1 p.m. for Marion J. Cory at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield in the Chapel.

Mrs. Cory died on Monday, February 13, at age 103 in Lakewood.

Born in Orange, she had lived in North Plainfield and Westfield before moving to Lakewood in 1988.

Mrs. Cory was an active member of The Presbyterian Church in Westfield and the Woman's Club of Westfield for many years.

She was predeceased by her husband of many years, Harrison Cory,

in 1983, and by a daughter, Jeanne C. Mayer, in 1986.

Surviving are a son, Richard Cory of North Fort Myers, Fla.; a sister, Carolyn Wallace of Colorado Springs, Colo.; six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are by the Gray Funeral Home, 318 East Broad Street in Westfield.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Red Cross or to The Presbyterian Church in Westfield.

June 1, 2006

Charles Trower, 83, Worked For BOE; Army Master Sergeant For 23 Years

Charles "Jack" Trower, 83, of Bonham, Tex. died on Monday, May 22, at the VA Medical Center in Bonham.

Born in Cleveland, Okla., he had lived in Scotch Plains and then in North Plainfield for over 30 years before moving to Bonham three years ago.

Mr. Trower was a veteran of World War II and the Korean Conflict, having served in the United States Army as a Master Sergeant for 23 years. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion, both in Scotch Plains.

After being discharged from the Army, he had been employed by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of

Education before retiring in 1990.

He was predeceased by his wife, Jean Trower, in 1997.

Surviving are three sons, John Trower, Rod Trower and Billy Trower; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, May 27, at the Memorial Funeral Home, 155 South Avenue in Fanwood. Interment with military honors followed at Hillside Cemetery in Scotch Plains.

Memorial donations may be made to the Deborah Hospital Foundation, P.O. Box 820, Browns Mills, N.J. 08015.

June 1, 2006

Valentine S. Klezer, 75, Army Veteran; Was Manager at Petro Oil Company

Valentine S. Klezer, 75, of Eldersburg, Md. and formerly of Westfield, N.J., died on Thursday, May 18, 2006 at Carroll Hospital Center in Westminster, Md.

Born on January 29, 1931 in Garwood, he was the husband of Elizabeth E. Klezer of Eldersburg, Md.

Mr. Klezer graduated from Westfield High School in 1948 and served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict.

He ran the Westfield Bowling Alley and retired in 1997 from the Petro Oil Company, where he had been a parts department manager.

Mr. Klezer enjoyed swimming,

gardening, going for walks and reading stories to his grandchildren.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are sons Steffen Klezer of Pen Argyl, Pa. and Eric Klezer of Eldersburg, Md.; daughter Liz Klezer of Cranford, N.J., and grandchildren Alexa Klezer of Pen Argyl, Pa. and Molly, Emily, E.J. and Mary Anne Klezer.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 10, 2006 at the First Baptist Church of Westfield in New Jersey.

Arrangements are by the Haight Funeral Home & Chapel in Sykesville, Md.

June 1, 2006

Albert J. Kiselica, 81

Albert J. Kiselica, 81, of Brick, formerly of Brielle and Westfield, passed away on Saturday, May 27, 2006 at the Jersey Shore University Medical Center in Neptune.

He was the husband of Barbara Levins Kiselica, formerly of Colts Neck, N.J., with whom he shared 11 years of marriage.

Born in West Warwick, R.I., Al was raised in Bayonne, N.J., where he graduated from Bayonne High School. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from Rutgers University and was a United States Army veteran of World War II. He was a resident of Westfield for 34 years.

Along with his wife, Barbara, Al was an active member of the Riverview Senior Citizens Club of Brielle, N.J.

Mariano Michael Francese, Jr., 66, of Vero Beach, Fla. died on Sunday, May 28, at the Community Medical Center in Scranton, Pa.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he had lived for many years in Merrick, Long Island and in Westfield. He maintained his residence in Vero Beach for the last two years.

Mr. Francese had been employed as the regional director for the New York State Department of Transportation for 30 years. He then was the executive vice president for Parsons Brinckerhoff in New York City for several years, retiring in February 2004. He continued as a consultant for the firm until the time of his death.

He was a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Society of Military Engineers, the New York State Association of Transportation Engineers, the New York Building Congress, the New York Regional Plan Association and the New Jersey Alliance For Action.

Surviving are his wife of 44 years, Anne D'Onofrio Francese; a daughter, Marian Francese of Chatham; a son, Michael Francese of Vienna, Va.; a sister, Rachel Pepe of Staten Island; a brother, Harry Francese of Connecticut, and two grandchildren, Grace and Luke.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10 a.m. today, Thursday, June 1, at the Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Westfield. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Westfield.

Arrangements are by the Gray Funeral Home, 318 East Broad Street in Westfield.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church, 315 First Street, Westfield, N.J. 07090.

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Author Timothy Benford to Speak On World War II in Honor of D-Day

MOUNTAINSIDE - Award-winning novelist, author and former Mountainside Councilman Timothy Benford will present a lecture about World War II in honor of D-Day at the Mountainside Public Library on Tuesday, June 6, at 7:30 p.m.

A former newspaperman and magazine editor, Mr. Benford will take a nostalgic look at the war years through odd, interesting and little-known incidents, anecdotes and vignettes. The Friends of the Mountainside Public Library will sponsor this program.

Mr. Benford's published works include non-fiction quiz-and-fact books about World War II, the space program and the royal family; the true crime "Righteous Carnage," about the List murders in Westfield, and the novels "Hitler's Daughter" and "The Ardennes Tapes."

Mr. Benford's works have been translated into French, Spanish and Polish; made into movies, television documentaries and compact disks and used in trivia games. He also contributes articles on travel, history, antique cars, politics, coins and crime to publications in the United States, Canada and Australia. This program is free and open to all. To reserve a seat, please call (908) 233-0115 or visit the library at Constitution Plaza during regular library hours.

Additionally, the Friends of the Mountainside Public Library will hold its semi-annual book sale at the library on Saturday, June 3, from

10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Monday, June 5, from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday will be "Bag Day," when an entire bag of books can be purchased for \$5.

VOTF Talk to Address Issue of Responsibility

WESTFIELD - The Roman Catholic lay group Voice of the Faithful (VOTF) of Union County will host a presentation entitled "Taking Responsibility for the Church" on Thursday, June 8, at 7:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Westfield.

The presenter will be the Reverend Raymond Schroth, who will encourage attendees to discover and implement already-established Church teachings to resolve national and world issues.

Reverend Schroth was ordained a Jesuit in 1967 with a Doctoral degree in American Thought and Culture from George Washington University. He has served at five Jesuit universities, was an associate editor at *Commonwealth* magazine in the 1970s and is now a media columnist for the *National Catholic Reporter* and occasionally writes for *The Star-Ledger*.

The First United Methodist Church is located at One East Broad Street. All are welcome to attend the presentation, which will conclude VOTF's speaker series until October. For more information about VOTF, please visit the website www.votfnj.org.

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