

## Edward L. Breen, 82, Was FBI Agent; Navy Veteran and Fordham Alumnus

Edward L. Breen, 82, of Lakewood passed away on Tuesday, October 16, at Shorrock Gardens in Brick.

Born in Philadelphia, Pa., he grew up in Iselin. After being long-time residents of Westfield, Edward and his wife, Josephine, moved to Lakewood in 1997.

Edward served in the United States Navy during World War II and graduated from Fordham University in 1950. He had been employed as a special agent for the FBI from 1951 to 1979, during which time he was stationed in Los Angeles, Seattle, Boston and New York.

After retiring from the FBI in 1979, Edward worked as a corporate investigator for Intertel Inc. in New York City. He remained active with the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI and with Alumnus of

Fordham University.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Josephine (nee Falcoski) Breen; his daughter, Nancy Hagle and her husband, Joe, of Aubrey, Tex.; his son, David Breen and his wife, Cyndi, of Elkins, Pa.; his four grandsons, Robert, Patrick, Stefan and Ryan; his sister, Elizabeth Ellis and her husband, Howard, of Canton, Miss., and his nephew, Michael Ellis, and his wife, Linda.

A Funeral Mass was offered on Monday, October 22, at St. Dominic's Roman Catholic Church in Brick. Burial followed at the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Memorial Cemetery in Arnetown.

Arrangements were by the D'Elia Funeral Home in Lakewood.

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Edward L. Breen

## Joseph S. Fiorino, 78, Insurance Agent; Active With Church and Organizations

Joseph S. Fiorino, 78, of Westfield died on Monday, October 22, at Robert Wood Johnson Medical Center in New Brunswick.

Born and raised in New Brunswick, he lived in Westfield since 1959.

Mr. Fiorino was an insurance agent and manager of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Agency in Westfield for over 20 years, retiring in 1993.

He was a United States Army veteran and received the Korean Service Medal with two Bronze Stars.

A communicant and usher at the Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Westfield, he also was a member of the American Legion in Plainfield and the Garwood VFW. He was an active member and past president of the North Plainfield Italian American Club.

A son, John Fiorino, predeceased

him in 1998.

Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Eleanor (Dorf) Fiorino; two daughters, Patricia Petersen and Joanne Hughes; a brother, Albert Fiorino of Edison; his twin sister, Virginia Mallace of South Brunswick, and eight grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, October 26, at the Holy Trinity Church. Visitation will be from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. today, Thursday, October 25, at the Dooley Colonial Home, 556 Westfield Avenue in Westfield. Burial will take place at Fairview Cemetery in Westfield.

Memorial donations may be made to the North Plainfield Italian American Club, 403 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, N.J. 07060.

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## William A. Donald, 85, Had Been Pilot In Army Air Corps In World War II

William A. Donald, 85, formerly of Cranford and Westfield, died on Tuesday, October 9, at St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center in Smithtown, Long Island, N.Y.

Born and raised in Cranford, he was a graduate of Cranford High School. He also lived in Westfield for several years. In his later years, he divided his time between Stony Brook, N.Y. and Boca Raton, Fla.

He was a first lieutenant in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II and was a first pilot of the B-24 Liberator Bomber with the 15th Army Air Corps stationed in Italy. Mr. Donald completed more

than 50 missions in the European Theater.

His wife, Mary Donald, predeceased him.

Surviving are two daughters, Sherric Donald and Deborah Whelan; a son, Rick Donald; a sister, Laura Higbie, and three grandchildren.

Private funeral services were held under the direction of the Gray Funeral Home, 318 East Broad Street in Westfield.

Memorial donations may be made to the Visiting Nurse Service and Hospice of Suffolk, 505 Main Street, Northport, N.Y. 11768.

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**A WORD ABOUT DOGS...** Raymond Swiderski of Scotch Plains, a retired educator and licensed judge of dog shows, spoke to the Westfield Area Old Guard October 4. Mr. Swiderski has bred seven champion Yorkshire Terriers and has 30 years judging experience in the United States. He also has judged dogs in Japan, New Zealand and Ireland. He discussed how to purchase a family pet dog and the pre-requisites for becoming a dog judge. Open to retired men, the Old Guard meets on Thursdays from 9 a.m. to noon at the Westfield Area "Y," located at 220 Clark Street in Westfield.

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## Obituaries

### Douglas Yearley, 71, Devoted to Family; Was CEO of Phelps Dodge Corporation

Douglas Yearley, a 43-year resident of Westfield, died on Sunday, October 7, after a courageous battle with multiple myeloma. He was 71.

A native of Oak Park, Ill., Doug moved to Westfield in 1964 with his wife, Anne, where they raised four children, Sandy, Doug, Peter and Andy.

Doug earned a Bachelor of Metallurgical Engineering degree from Cornell University and also completed Harvard University's Program for Management Development.

After working two years at the Electric Boat division of General Dynamics Corporation, he joined Phelps Dodge Copper Products Co. in Bayway, N.J. in 1960. Over his 40-year career at Phelps Dodge, Doug served the company in a number of positions of increasing responsibility that gave him extensive experience in international business, manufacturing and sales and marketing.

In 1989 Doug was named chairman and chief executive officer of Phelps Dodge Corporation, a position he held for 11 years. He was widely recognized as a leader in the mining industry, spearheading the company's radical restructuring in the 1980s and the acquisition of Cyprus

### Margaret Sheffield, 95

Margaret Sheffield, 95, died on Friday, October 19, at Care One at Evesham in Marlton.

Born in Newark, she had lived in Westfield for many years before moving to Whiting in 1999. She later lived in the Voorhees area until her death.

Mrs. Sheffield began her working career at the age of 16 with the Prudential Insurance Company. She remained with the company for 47 years and retired in 1976.

Her husband, Walter Sheffield, and her siblings, Pauline, Ann, John, Albert and Daniel, predeceased her.

Surviving are a stepson, Albert Sheffield; two nieces, Diane Lajoie and Carol Meskill; a nephew, Robert McQueen, and a great-nephew, Dan Murphy.

Funeral services were held on Monday, October 22, at the Gray Funeral Home, 318 East Broad Street in Westfield. Interment followed at Fairview Cemetery in Westfield.

Memorial donations may be made to the Westfield Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 356, Westfield, N.J. 07091.

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## St. Paul's Seeks Donations For Upcoming Book Sale

WESTFIELD - St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Westfield is seeking book donations for its annual Friends of Music Book Sale that will take place from Sunday, November 4, beginning at noon through Tuesday, November 6.

Especially needed are hardback and paperback fiction, nonfiction, cookbooks, audio books, videos,

computer software, compact discs, records, DVDs, puzzles and children's books.

The church is unable to accept donations of textbooks, magazines, encyclopedias or Reader's Digest condensed books. If possible, contributors are asked to bag and label their donations by category.

Donations may be dropped off daily beginning tomorrow, Friday, October 26, through Saturday, November 3. Individuals are asked to look for signs in the driveway and Parish Hall area.

To reach St. Paul's Parish Hall, use the Euclid Avenue driveway entrance. Donations will be accepted between 3 and 9 p.m. weekdays and from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on weekends.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church is located at 414 East Broad Street (across from the Westfield Municipal Building). For further information about the book sale or donations, call (908) 232-8506, extension no. 10, or e-mail parishoffice@stpaulswestfield.org.

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## Albert Minzter, M.D., 80, Had Practiced Internal Medicine and Pulmonology

Albert Minzter, M.D., 80, of West Windsor, N.J., died at home on Monday, October 15, after a long illness. He lived in Newark, Elizabeth and Westfield before moving to West Windsor six years ago.

Dr. Minzter had a private practice of internal medicine and pulmonology in Elizabeth and Roselle Park for 30 years, after which he was medical director of the Executive Health Group in Morristown, N.J. for 10 years.

He was politically active as a representative in the Union County Medical Society and was the founder, and for 25 years the director, of the Union County Tuberculosis League.

Dr. Minzter was past president of the New Jersey Chapter of the American College of Chest Physicians, a former attending physician at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University and a former member of the board of trustees at Temple Emanu-El in Westfield, N.J.

He was a Phi Beta Kappa, cum laude graduate of Princeton University in 1946 at the age of 19 and earned a medical degree in 1950 from Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, where he was elected to the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society.

He became an Osler Intern at Johns Hopkins and followed that with residencies in chest diseases at Yale-New Haven and Bellevue/NYU Hospitals in New York.

Dr. Minzter served in the Medical

Corps of the United States Army during the Korean War and completed his service as a captain.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Leatrice (nee Friedman); his daughters, Beth Minzter, M.D. and Susan Minzter; his son, Ronald Minzter, M.D.; his sister, Frances Wortzel, and two grandchildren, Abigail and Daniel.

Services were held on Thursday, October 18, 2007, at the Menorah Chapels at Millburn in Union. Interment followed at Mount Lebanon Cemetery in Iselin.

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### Josephine Manfra

Josephine L. (Magnotti) Manfra, a long-time Westfield resident, died on Wednesday, October 17, at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

She was predeceased by her husband, Patrick A. Manfra, Sr., in 2004 and by a daughter, Joanne Manfra, in 1989.

Surviving are a daughter, Barbara Berichon; two sons, John Manfra and Patrick Manfra; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was offered on Monday, October 22, at St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church in Westfield. Burial took place at Saint Gertrude Cemetery in Colonia.

Arrangements were by the Dooley Colonial Home, 556 Westfield Avenue in Westfield.

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## S.A.R. Chapter to Welcome 'Continental Soldier' Nov. 5

WESTFIELD - The West Fields Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution will meet on Monday, November 5, at 8 p.m. in the Community Room of the Westfield Municipal Building, located at 425 East Broad Street.

Eric Olsen, a park ranger/historian with the Morristown National Historical Park in Morristown, will be the guest speaker. His topic will be "Continental Soldier - Sergeant Joseph P. Martin."

This program will be a first person interpretation in which Mr. Olsen takes on the character of Army veteran Joseph P. Martin, going on the lecture circuit telling stories of his

life during the Revolutionary War.

These stories are based on the memoirs of an actual soldier, Joseph P. Martin, and other soldiers' diaries. Mr. Olsen also opens the floor to audience questions, which he answers in character up to the year 1780.

Mr. Olsen has worked for the National Park Service for 30 years and for the Morristown National Historical Park for 25 years. He also has worked at Ellis Island, Federal Hall and Edison National Historic Site.

The meeting is open to the public and light refreshments will be served. For more information, interested persons may call Chapter President Warren Frinstensky at (908) 654-1731.

### Girl Scouts to Host Pet Costume Contest

WESTFIELD - Westfield Girl Scout Troop 824 will host a pet costume contest on Sunday, October 28, at Tamaques Park on Lamberts Mill Road in Westfield.

Registration will begin at 3 p.m., with a parade of pets starting at 3:30 p.m. Signs will indicate the exact location for the event, which will be held rain or shine.

There will be a \$5 entrance fee, with all proceeds to be directed toward buying pet supplies for pets in shelters. There will be judges and prizes awarded in several categories.

This program satisfies the 2B Challenge Charm on troop members' way to earning their Girl Scout Silver Award. An adult should accompany all children and costumed pets attending the event. For additional information, interested persons are asked to contact Emily at JNS202@aol.com.

### Course to Help People Afflicted With Arthritis

WESTFIELD - The Westfield Area "Y" will offer a self-help course designed to assist arthritis sufferers in making lifestyle changes that will help improve their quality of life.

This two-week seminar will be held on Wednesdays, October 31 and November 7, from 10 a.m. to noon at the main "Y" facility, located at 220 Clark Street in Westfield.

Myriam Gabriel, an Arthritis Foundation certified instructor, will facilitate this program. She will cover topics such as pain management strategies, communication skills and problem-solving techniques, as well as exercise.

This class will introduce participants to steps they can take that can help them in living with limitations, make appropriate behavioral changes and eventually improve their quality of life.

Pre-registration for this course is recommended and may be done at the Welcome Center located at the main "Y" facility. For more information, interested individuals are asked to contact Janice Carthens at the Westfield Area "Y" at (908) 233-2700, extension no. 227, or e-mail jcarthens@westfieldnj.org.

### Junior Women Plan Charity Coat Drive

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Scotch Plains Junior Women's Club will hold its annual charity coat drive from Monday through Friday, October 29 to November 2.

Area residents are asked to donate new or gently used infant, children's and adult coats. Items may be dropped off at the Scotch Plains Public Library, located at 1927 Bartle Avenue, or the Jewish Community Center (JCC) of Central New Jersey, located at 1391 Martine Avenue in Scotch Plains.

Both facilities will accept donations during their normal business hours. Donations will be distributed to local citizens who are in need and to Harmony House in Newark. For more information about this event, interested persons may contact scotchplainsjrwomen@comcast.net.

### Youth Band Night Set Tomorrow at Church

WESTFIELD - The First Baptist Church will present a youth band night tomorrow, Friday, October 26, from 8 to 11 p.m. Doors will open at 7:30 p.m.

The goal of this event is to provide local youth with a safe place to enjoy music with their peers. Admission will be granted to those under age 21 and is \$10 at the door.

For youth wearing a Halloween costume, prizes will be awarded for best costume. Bands scheduled to appear include Westbound Train from Boston, Mass. and New Jersey's own Bomb Town, Awful Waffle and Ten Cents Short.

Local high school students not normally affiliated with the church coordinate the event, with the Reverend Jeremy Montgomery, associate minister at First Baptist, overseeing the program.

Students involved include Alison Donahue, Nick Murray, Arielle Rodriguez, Caroline Sanchez and Melissa Virzi. They chose to direct the evening's proceeds to benefit a local charity, Lung Cancer Research, in memory of Diane Pain.

The First Baptist Church is located at 170 Elm Street in Westfield. For more details, visit [myspace.com/bandnite](http://myspace.com/bandnite) online or e-mail [firstbaptist.westfield@verizon.net](mailto:firstbaptist.westfield@verizon.net).

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