

## David C. Enes, 69 Beloved Father

David C. Enes, 69, passed away unexpectedly on Monday, November 26, 2018, at the South County Hospital in Wakefield, R.I.



David C. Enes

David was born in Paterson, N.J., and raised primarily in Westfield, N.J., by Jean M. Enes and predeceased Ralph C. Enes. He had two siblings, Robert and predeceased Linda Kasselmann.

David attended the Westfield, N.J. schools and graduated from the Millburn Preparatory School in 1968. He was active in the Presbyterian Youth Group and Boy Scout Troop 72. David graduated from Roger Williams University in 1972 with a degree in Sociology. David loved his dogs and enjoyed boating, motorcycles, skiing, his vintage Buick Reatta cars and watching old westerns.

While living in Hope Valley, R.I., he married his first wife, Janet Johnson. At the time he worked for Allied Van Lines Special Products as an owner-operator. He then progressed to operate his own trucking business, delivering flatbed loads of sod, roofing shingles, building materials and bulk propane.

In 1998, while delivering propane,

David suffered an industrial accident leading to the loss of his left arm. David's courage throughout this tragedy is a testament to his strong character, will and bravery. Subsequent to this, David married Laurie Malloy and raised two children who survive him, Kristen Rose and Sean Carlton. He resided in West Kingston, R.I., until the time of his death.

David devoted his time and energy to his beloved children. Together they enjoyed boating, horseback riding, trips to the library, parks, museums and swimming. He saw to the children's education and spiritual upbringing. David was an active member of the Wakefield Baptist Church, where he had served as a Deacon and Trustee.

David will be sadly missed by all who knew him. A memorial service was held on Saturday, December 15, at the Wakefield Baptist Church in Wakefield, R.I. Interment will be at The Presbyterian Church cemetery in Westfield, N.J. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Wakefield Baptist Church or the American Heart Association.

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## — Obituaries — George A. Lewis, 87, Loved Family, Westfield, Church, Tennis, History

George Alfred Lewis of Westfield died peacefully on Saturday, December 22, 2018, surrounded by family. He was 87.

Known to his family as Geo, George was born May 17, 1931 in Syracuse, N.Y., to Alfred J. Lewis (a high school principal) and Elizabeth (White) Lewis (a homemaker).

He was predeceased by his beloved wife of almost 60 years, Barbara Betham Lewis. He is survived by his son, Peter, of Wake Forest, N.C., and daughter, Amy, of West Orange, N.J.; a granddaughter, Jessica Heiple of Milford, N.H., and a great-grandson, Jameson Heiple (who Geo had the thrill to meet and hold last month).

Geo graduated from Manlius prep school and Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn. After service in the U.S. Army, he embarked on a career with the telephone company in data processing management roles, first with New York Telephone and then AT&T. After stints in Syracuse, Utica, N.Y., and Albany, N.Y., he was transferred to a position in New York City and settled in Westfield in 1964.

For 54 years Westfield was an anchor in his life. Living first on Harding Street and then Canterbury Road, he was one of a generation of great Westfield fathers who commuted to New York City, raced home to coach Little League, grilled steaks on weekends, and volunteered for the organizations that make this town run.

He served in board positions at The Westfield Y and the Westfield downtown commission. He served on the board of his Wesleyan fraternity, Alpha Delta Phi.

Geo found joy at the Westfield Tennis Club, where he was the long-time treasurer. A passionate tennis player, he is missed by his doubles partner and good friend of 50 years, Alex Williams. For many years he umpired at tennis tournaments across New Jersey. As a linesman at the U.S. Open, he drew curses from Jimmy Connors over a line call that Geo claimed for all his years that he was right and Connors was wrong.

George loved history, especially Europe from 1920 to 1945 and World War II. Much of his focus was on Winston Churchill. He traveled to England many times and served on the board of the Interna-

tional Churchill Society. Much to Barbara's chagrin, he amassed a large collection of Churchill memorabilia that filled most corners and shelves of their home. The man was always reading multiple books, which he seldom let go of — there are over 2,400 books in his basement.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church was very important to George. For many years he served as an usher and he volunteered on church finance and building committees. He was a man of great faith. His ashes will be buried in the garth at St. Paul's, joining Barbara (and Barbara's parents).

He loved his nieces, Leslie, Susan and Kyle, and his nephews, Nicky and Steven. He built a special and strong bond with his caregivers, Marlynn and Isabelle, who were always at his side in his later years. He was lucky to have great relatives by marriage — Nancy Mullane, Rob and Kolbe Heiple, Kathi Lewis and Joe Hehn.

Geo loved hanging and chatting with his guys — over lunch at Chrono's Tavern, at the tennis club and at Princeton, where he audited classes with friends for over 20 years.

He was a compulsive list maker. Technology befuddled him — he never touched a computer, struggled with a cell phone, answering machine and TV remotes, and he was absolutely amazed at the concept of Facetime when he first saw his great-grandson. He drank a Tito's vodka martini at 4:30 p.m. every day. He watched the Yankees and the Giants and was a huge fan of UConn women's basketball. A lifelong Republican, he hated paying taxes. He was a good and active stock picker, devouring *The Wall Street Journal* and annual reports. He did *The New York Times* crossword puzzle (in ink) every day. And he was proud to call Westfield home.

Geo was a kind and generous soul. He touched many lives. He will be missed.

A memorial service to celebrate his life will be held at St. Paul's Church in Westfield at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 19, 2019. Arrangements are by Gray Funeral Home of Westfield. You may go to grayfuneralhomes.com for online condolences.

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George A. Lewis

## Alan Bruce Conlin, Jr., 95, Longtime Resident of Westfield

Alan Bruce Conlin, Jr., 95, a 60-year resident of Westfield, died on Saturday December 29, 2018, at the Care One Center in Wall Township, N.J., where he had recently resided.

Born in Plainfield, Bruce was the son of the late Alan Bruce Conlin, Sr., an attorney and former Westfield town councilman, and Aileen Gary Conlin. A 1942 graduate of Westfield High School, and Lehigh University, School of Engineering, he was a member of Phi Sigma Epsilon fraternity.

Bruce served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the Signal Corps, where he saw action in Central Europe and the Rhineland with the 7th Army. Bruce later worked for the Johns-Manville Corporation and GAF Corporation. After seven years of corporate engineering work, he joined the staff of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), where he worked with various legislative and government bodies in dealing with issues of science.

He was a member of various advisory panels such as the National Conference of State Legislatures, the American Society of Public Administration, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the National Society of Professional Engineers, and the Council of Engineering and Scientific Society Executives.

Bruce was a lifelong member of St. Paul Episcopal Church in Westfield, and was a founding member of the Martin Wallberg Post No.

3 of the American Legion in Westfield. He was a past Grand Marshal for the Annual Westfield Memorial Day Parade, had been active with the Westfield Y's Men's Club and Westfield Little League Baseball, and was the secretary of the town's 1976 Bicentennial Steering Committee.

Bruce was also preceded in death by his wife, Ann Laing Conlin; his son, Alan Bruce "Chip" Conlin, III; his sister, Peggy Norwine, and his brother-in-law, Charles "Bud" Pulis. Bruce is survived by his daughter, Meredith O'Connor, and her husband, Joseph, of Wall Township, N.J.; his son, Peter W. Conlin of Philadelphia, Pa.; the mother of his children, Mrs. Charlene Conlin; a stepson, Kenneth Brown, and his wife, Anna, of Arizona; two grandchildren, Alan Hudson and his wife, Lil Blanco, of Teaneck, N.J.; and Pamela Hudson of Wall Township, N.J.; three great-grandchildren, Devin Ferrogino, Alana Hudson and Liam Hudson; two sisters, Barbara "Bobby" Pulis of Springfield, N.J., and Nancy Van Dolman and her husband, John, of Massachusetts; his brother-in-law, David Norwine of Westfield, and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services are scheduled for 10 a.m. on Friday, January 11, 2019, at St. Paul Episcopal Church in Westfield, with burial to follow at Fairview Cemetery in Westfield, N.J. Arrangements are by Gray Funeral Home of Westfield.

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Alan B. Conlin, Jr.

## Mountainside Library Lists Early January Programs

**MOUNTAINSIDE** — The Mountainside Public Library has scheduled multiple programs for January. The library will be closed on Monday, January 21, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Tuesday Night Movies this month will include *Searching* (2018, PG-13) on January 8; *The Seagull* (2018, PG-13) on January 15; *A Quiet Place* (2018, PG-13) on January 22 and *Adrift* (2018, PG-13) on January 29. Show time for each movie is 6:30 p.m.

Winter Story Times at the library, with "Miss Elizabeth," will continue during January. Daytime programs are for infants through preschoolers. For times, pick up a flyer in the library or consult the website calendar at mountainsidelibrary.org/children.

Brown Bag Academy will be offered on Mondays, at 1:15 p.m., except for January 21. The current Great Courses Winter Semester is already underway. This course features lectures by Professor Allen C. Guelzo, Ph.D., of Gettysburg College, on "America's Founding Fathers." Participants are invited to bring their lunch; coffee, tea and

cookies will be served for dessert.

The Friday Operas on Film series, presented by Mena Clemson, will return January 11, at 1 p.m., with a screening of *Luisa Miller* by Giuseppe Verdi. Renata Scotto sings the title role and Plácido Domingo stars in this rarely-performed Verdi opera, a heart-wrenching tragedy of fatherly love filmed in 1979. The Metropolitan Opera Orchestra and Chorus is conducted by James Levine.

"Come Read to Kalee (Therapy Dog)" also will take place on January 11, at 3:45 p.m. This program is especially designed for emergent and beginning readers in kindergarten and grade 1, but all readers are welcome. Participants are invited to bring two favorite books to read to Kalee for five to 10 minutes. Spaces are limited, so interested persons are asked to call to reserve a spot for this program.

Additional activities for later in the month will be announced. To register for programs where applicable, stop into the library or call (908) 233-0115. The Mountainside Public Library is located at 1 Constitution Plaza.

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## Consider Some New Year's Financial Resolutions

As the year winds down, you may want to look ahead to see which areas of your life you can improve in 2019. Perhaps you'll decide to exercise more, eat healthier foods, reconnect with old friends or volunteer at a school or charitable organization. All these goals are certainly worthwhile — but you also may want to add some New Year's financial resolutions to your list.

Here are a few ideas to consider:

**Boost contributions to your employer-sponsored retirement plan.** Good news! Contribution limits will be increasing for many employer-sponsored retirement plans.

For 2019, you can contribute up to \$19,000 (up from \$18,500 in 2018), or \$25,000 (up from \$24,500 in 2018) if you're 50 or older to your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan. It's usually a good idea to contribute as much as you can afford to your employer's plan, as your contributions may lower your taxable income, while any earnings growth is tax-deferred. (Keep in mind that taxes are due upon withdrawal, and withdrawals prior to age 59½ may be subject to a 10-percent IRS penalty.)

At a minimum, put in enough to earn your employer's matching contribution, if one is offered.

**Try to "max out" on your IRA.** Even if you have a 401(k) or similar plan, you can probably still invest in an IRA. For 2019, you can put in up to \$6,000 in a traditional or Roth IRA (up from \$5,500 in 2018), or \$7,000 (up from \$6,500) if you're 50 or older. (Income restrictions apply to Roth IRAs.) Contributions to a traditional IRA may be tax-deductible, depending on your income, and any earnings growth is tax-deferred. Roth IRA contributions are not deductible, but earnings growth can be withdrawn tax-free, provided you don't

start taking withdrawals until you are 59½ and you've had your account at least five years. You can put most types of investments — stocks, bonds, mutual funds, government securities and so on — into an IRA, so it can expand your options beyond those offered in your 401(k) or similar plan.

**Build an emergency fund.** Try to build an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, with the money held in a low-risk, liquid account. This fund can help you avoid dipping into your long-term investments to pay for unexpected costs, such as a major car repair.

**Control your debts.** Do what you can to keep your debts under control. Ultimately, the less you have to spend on debt payments, the more you can invest for your future.

**Don't overreact to financial market volatility.** In 2018 — especially the last few months of the year — we saw considerable market volatility, with huge drops and big gains in rapid succession. What will 2019 bring? It's always difficult — and usually futile — trying to forecast the market's performance over the course of an entire year. But, in any case, try not to overreact to whatever ups and downs we may experience. Instead, continue pursuing an investment strategy that's appropriate for your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon.

Following these suggestions can help you become a better investor in 2019 — and beyond.

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**HOLIDAY HAPPINESS...**Members of the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield decorate the tree at the Jardine Academy. Pictured, from left to right, are: Martha Savage, Irene Greenstein, Jane Christiani, Adah Levin, holding a copy of the book "Go Big or Go Gnome," Mary Lou Nolas, Faten Mahan, Joan Kylish, Cathy Becker and Lena Peitsinovski.

## Rake and Hoe Club Visits Jardine For the Holidays

**WESTFIELD** — As part of its commitment to community service, the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield recently visited the Jardine Academy in Cranford to decorate the Holiday Tree with numerous gnome ornaments designed by club member Adah Levin and made by fellow club members.

The ornaments were inspired by the book "Go Big or Go Gnome"

### Groundwork Elizabeth To Be Sierra Topic

**AREA** — The New Jersey Sierra Club Loantaka Group will present Jonathan C. Phillips, executive director of Groundwork Elizabeth, at its meeting on Wednesday, January 9.

Free and open to the public, the meeting will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Library of The Chathams, located at 214 Main Street, Chatham.

Mr. Phillips will focus on Groundwork Elizabeth's mission of building healthy, sustainable and equitable communities in Elizabeth and throughout Union County. For more information, call (908) 233-2414.

by Kirsten Mayer. Club member Irene Greenstein read the book to the students at Jardine Academy and a copy of the book was donated to the school's library. The Holiday Tree stands in the lobby of the school and is enjoyed by all who pass by.

The Jardine Academy, operated by the Cerebral Palsy League and approved by the New Jersey Department of Education, provides a comprehensive educational program designed to meet the cognitive and physical needs of children and young adults, ages 3 to 21, with multiple disabilities.

The Rake and Hoe Garden Club is affiliated with the Garden Club of New Jersey and the National Garden Club, Inc. The club meets on the second Wednesday of the month, at noon, at the Scotch Hills Country Club in Scotch Plains. Membership is open to residents of Westfield and surrounding towns. For more information, call Jeanne Marie Ryan at (908) 654-0271 or visit the club's website, rakeandhoe.org, or its Facebook page.

## Andrew A. Gioia, Esq., 83, Family Man; Enjoyed Chess, Art, Golf and History

Andrew A. Gioia, Esquire, passed away Sunday, December 30, 2018, surrounded by the love of his family at his home in Westfield, N.J. He was 83 years old.

Born December 7, 1935 in Newark, N.J., to Bridget and Frank Gioia, Andrew graduated from East Side High School in Paterson in 1954 and then Rutgers University in 1969, with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Andy then put himself through Law School at night while working as a claims adjuster for State Farm by day, earning a law degree from Seton Hall in 1974. Upon passing the bar later that same year, Andy immediately went into private practice, where he specialized in criminal law and became a fixture in the Morris, Sussex and Warren County courthouses until his retirement in 2000.

Mr. Gioia was a skilled chess player and artist, and his sharp mind gave him a knack for logic puzzles and riddles. He also enjoyed golf, and was an avid history buff. A loving family man, Andrew was happy

est when spending time with his family, particularly at the beach or on outdoor hikes and bike rides. His dry sense of humor was always the source of contagious laughter, and he could rarely finish telling a joke before bursting out laughing himself.

Andrew is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Kathryn Gioia; his children, Glenn, Kristy, Deborah and Marc; daughter-in-law, Stacey; his grandchildren, Frankie, Nikki, Roman, Tyler, Brendan, Jordan and Casey; sister, Chris, and brother-in-law, Mike; niece, Patty, and nephew, Michael.

Friends and family will gather between 7 and 9 p.m. today, Thursday, January 3, at the Dooley Colonial Funeral Home, 556 Westfield Avenue, Westfield. A funeral mass will begin at 11 a.m. on Friday, January 4, at the Parish of St. Helen on Lamberts Mill Road in Westfield. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Andrew's memory to Center for Hope Hospice and Palliative Care in Scotch Plains.

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## Kristi D. Hawkins, 71

Kristi D. Hawkins, 71, of Bluffton, S.C., died on Thursday, December 20, 2018, at home.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, January 11, 2019, at the Lowcountry Presbyterian Church and a Celebration of Life will take place from 2 to 4 p.m. on Friday, January 25, 2019, at Memorial Funeral Home, 155 South Avenue, Fanwood, N.J. 07023.

Sauls Funeral Home of Bluffton is assisting the family. Please visit www.saulsfh.com to view the full obituary and sign the online guestbook.

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Kristi D. Hawkins

## Scotch Plains Library To Show Julia Roberts Films

**SCOTCHPLAINS** — During January, the public is invited to the Scotch Plains Public Library on Fridays at noon to watch movies starring Julia Roberts. The schedule is as follows:

January 4 — *Pretty Woman* (R, 119 minutes). A Hollywood hooker signs on for a weeklong job with a client who is a corporate raider; he pays for a makeover so she can act as his date.

January 11 — *Notting Hill* (PG-13, 124 minutes). An American movie star falls for a shy Brit who owns a bookstore in the title neighborhood.

January 18 — *Mona Lisa Smile* (PG-13, 117 minutes). An independent-minded woman accepts a teaching position at Wellesley, an all-women's college in 1953, and tries to help her students see the opportunities available to them.

January 25 — *Eat Pray Love* (PG-13, 133 minutes). A divorcee leaves her comfortable life behind to travel to Italy, India and Bali. At each destination she discovers a new aspect of leading a happier life.

These events are free and open to all interested participants. Registration is not required. For more information, visit scotplib.org, call (908) 322-5007, extension no. 204, or e-mail library@scotplib.org.

The Scotch Plains Public Library is located at 1927 Bartle Avenue, one block from Park Avenue in the center of the township.

### Library to Resume Literary Café

**CRANFORD** — The Literary Café, the book chat group of the Cranford Public Library, has scheduled its first 2019 session for Saturday, January 12, at 10:15 a.m. It will take place in the library's Raddin Room.

Participants bring a few favorite books and tell the other members of the group what they like about them. The books can be new or old, fiction or non-fiction, classic or contemporary. Sessions are one hour in length.

There is no required reading, and participants will have the opportunity to learn about books recommended by other group members. Refreshments will be served, courtesy of the Friends of the Cranford Public Library. Registration is not required.

Subsequent sessions will take place on Saturdays, February 2 and March 2, also at 10:15 a.m. The library is located at 224 Walnut Avenue. To see what else is coming up at the library, visit cranfordlibrary.org.