

Stephen L. Wolfe, 86, Was Founder Of Auto Body Shop in Springfield

Stephen L. Wolfe, 86, of Scotch Plains died on Wednesday, October 24, at JFK Medical Center in Edison. Born in Perth Amboy, he had lived in Irvington before moving to Scotch Plains 45 years ago. Mr. Wolfe was a founder and partner of Dobbs & Co. Auto Body Shop in Springfield, where he had worked for many years before retiring in 1995. A United States Air Force veteran, having served in World War II, he was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was predeceased by two sisters and a brother, Irene Vargo and Mary

Dobrowsky, and a brother, John Wolfe. Surviving are his wife of 56 years, Elizabeth Kardos Wolfe, and three sisters, Helen Mizak, Anna Lucas and Margaret Horvath. A Blessing was held on Saturday, October 27, in the Gosselin Funeral Home in Edison. Memorial contributions may be made to the Haven Hospice, in care of the JFK Medical Center Foundation, 80 James Street, Edison, 08820 or to the Hungarian Reformed Church, 175 Pershing Avenue, Carteret, 07008. November 1, 2001

Alfred Genung, 92, Advertising Executive; Had Been Active in Area Civic Affairs

Alfred Gawthrop Genung, 92, died on Wednesday, October 24, at East Hill Woods in Southbury, Conn. Born in Plainfield, he had lived most of his life there and in Princeton, where he resided from 1982 until 1998. Mr. Genung had been head of advertising and public relations for Ninth Federal Savings and Loan Association in New York City, retiring in 1965. He was also an attorney but did not practice. Active in civic affairs in Plainfield, he served as head of the United Way, a member of the Common Council and the Public Housing Board and as a Trustee of both the United Family and Children's Society and the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church in

Plainfield. He was predeceased by his wife of 43 years, Dorothy Madsen Genung, in 1980. Mr. Genung graduated from Philips Exeter Academy and Princeton University and served both of his alma maters in numerous volunteer roles. Surviving are a daughter, Sarah Booth of Westfield; a son, Frederick M. Genung, 2nd of Woodbury, Conn., and four grandchildren. A memorial service was held on Monday, October 29, at the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church. Memorial donations may be made to the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church, 716 Watchung Avenue, Plainfield 07060. November 1, 2001

Fred Zakaluk, 70, Longtime Teacher; Had Served on Church Committees

Fred Zakaluk, 70, of Hillsborough, whose teaching career with the Westfield school district spanned more than 30 years, died on Thursday, October 25, at his residence. Born in Manville, he lived in the Manville-Hillsborough area all of his life. Mr. Zakaluk, who retired in 1996, had taught for five years in Manville before joining the Westfield school system. He had also been a nurses' assistant at Carrier Clinic in Belle Mead for more than 30 years before retiring earlier this year. A 1952 graduate of Bowling Green

University in Ohio, where he received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Administration, he was awarded a master's degree in business administration from Seton Hall University in South Orange in 1962. Mr. Zakaluk was Secretary of the Executive and Deacon's committees of the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Manville. Funeral services were held on Monday, October 29, at the Emmanuel Baptist Church. Interment was at the Bound Brook Cemetery in Bound Brook. Arrangements were handled by the M. David DeMarco Funeral Home in Monroe Township. November 1, 2001

Obituaries

Memorial Service Is Scheduled For Leo Keene, 3rd, of Westfield

A memorial service for Leo Russell Keene, 3rd, 33, of Westfield will be held at 11 a.m. this Saturday, November 3, at the First United Methodist Church of Westfield. Mr. Keene has been missing since September 11 at the World Trade Center site in New York City. Born in Sulphur, La., he was a 1985 graduate of Mary Immaculate High School in Key West, Fla. He earned his undergraduate degree in 1990 and his Master of Business Administration Degree in Finance in 1993 from the University of Tampa in Florida. He was a member of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity at the university.

For the past two years, Mr. Keene was a Vice President at Keefe, Bruyette and Woods (KBW), Inc., covering the electronic brokerage industry, including companies in the direct access brokerage space. Prior to joining KBW and focusing on the online brokerage industry, he worked with Dean Eberling as a research associate, studying traditional brokers and money management firms for Putnam, Lovell, de Guardiola & Thornton and Salomon Smith Barney. He was hired by Mr. Eberling as a junior analyst at Prudential Securities in 1996.

Surviving are his wife of seven years, Kristen Marie Keene; his two-year-old daughter, Mazalee Morgan Keene; his mother, Susan Grimm of Dallas, Tex.; his father, L. Russell Keene, 2nd of Linville Falls, N.C.; two sisters, Jennifer Ann Clyde of Sulphur, La. and Krista Sue Keene of Houston, Tex., and his grandfather, Leo Russell Keene of Sulphur. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the KBW Family Fund, North Fork Bank, 275 Broad Hollow Road, Melville, N.Y. 11747, account no. 4844. For information, please call James Castro at (613) 844-1029.

Contributions may also be made to Mazalee Keene's college fund at Merrill Lynch, 1 Progress Plaza, No. 1400, St. Petersburg, Fla. 33701. Re: Kristen M. Keene, custodian for Mazalee Keene, account no. 781-27X52. November 1, 2001

Maria Delmonaco, 86

Maria G. Delmonaco, 86, of Westfield died on Sunday, October 28, at Overlook Hospital in Summit. Born in Pietrascupa, Italy, she came to the United States in 1958 and settled in Westfield.

Mrs. Delmonaco was a member of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union. She was a communicant of the Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Westfield.

She was predeceased by her husband, Dionisio Delmonaco, in 1994. Surviving are a son, Nick Delmonaco of Cranford; a brother, Antonio Santilli of Italy, and three grandsons.

A Mass of Christian Burial was offered yesterday, Wednesday, October 31, at the Holy Trinity Church, with interment at Hollywood Memorial Park in Union.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Dooley Colonial Home, 556 Westfield Avenue in Westfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, the American Diabetes Association or to the National Hospice Foundation. November 1, 2001

Anthony Perrotti, 71

Anthony J. Perrotti, 71, of Manville died on Tuesday, October 23, at his home.

Born in Bernardsville, he had lived in Manville for more than 25 years.

Mr. Perrotti had been employed as a meat cutter for ShopRite Corporation in Edison for 25 years and retired in 1991.

Surviving are two brothers, Patrick Perrotti and James Perrotti, both of Bernardsville, and two sisters, Carmella Ruffa of Scotch Plains and Rose Ascolese of Somerset.

Funeral services were held yesterday, Wednesday, October 31, at the Bridgewater Funeral Home in Bridgewater. Interment took place at the Cedar Hill Cemetery in East Millstone. November 1, 2001

Bonnie Smeltzer, 67, Retired Nurse, Office Manager for Medical Group

Bonnie Smeltzer, 67, died on Thursday, October 25, at the Toms River home of her son, Steven Smeltzer, with whom she had lived since March.

Born in York, Pa., she had previously lived in Scotch Plains for 33 years.

Mrs. Smeltzer had been a registered nurse and office manager for the Interboro Medical Group in

Scotch Plains for 40 years before retiring in February of 2000.

Surviving, in addition to her son, are two brothers, David Smeltzer and Thomas Smeltzer, both of Toms River, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Monday, October 29, at the Silverton Memorial Funeral Home in Toms River. November 1, 2001

Elizabeth M. Mahler, 93, Had Been Chief Cook at Local High School

Elizabeth M. Mahler, 93, of Monroe Township died on Friday, October 26, in the Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in Austria-Hungary, she had lived in Hillside and Scotch Plains before relocating to Monroe Township in 1987.

Mrs. Mahler had been the chief cook at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School for 12 years before retiring in 1973.

She was a member of the Nativity of Our Lord Roman Catholic Church in Monroe Township. She was predeceased by her husband, John J. Mahler, in 1967, a son, Robert Mahler, in 1982, and by three brothers and a sister.

Surviving are a son, John Mahler of Bridgewater; a daughter, Elizabeth M. Wenrich of Monroe Township; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. The funeral service was held on Tuesday, October 30, at the Nativity of Our Lord Church. Interment took place at St. Gertrude's Cemetery in Colonia. Arrangements were under the direction of the M. David De Marco Funeral Home in Monroe Township. November 1, 2001

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Bonnie Wildstein, Seton Hall Alumna; Was Volunteer and Hadassah Member

Bonnie Wildstein of Westfield died on Friday, October 26, at Calvary Hospital in the Bronx, N.Y.

Born in Newark, she had lived in West Orange prior to moving to Westfield 25 years ago.

Mrs. Wildstein had worked for Dermatology Associates of Westfield for more than 10 years before retiring in 1991.

She attended Rutgers University in Newark and Seton Hall University in South Orange and was trained at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center.

She was a member of the Hadassah of Westfield and a volunteer for the

Ovarian Cancer Research Fund. Surviving are her husband, David Wildstein; a daughter, Jessica Weinberg, and a son, Erik Wildstein.

The funeral service was held on Sunday, October 28, at Temple Emanu-El in Westfield. Interment was at Beth Israel Cemetery in Woodbridge.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Menorah Chapels at Millburn in Union.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Ovarian Cancer Research Fund Inc., 1 Pennsylvania Plaza, Suite 1610, New York 10119. November 1, 2001

Community News

Rabbi Maderer Ordained During Recent Ceremony

SCOTCH PLAINS — Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR) of New York has announced the recent ordination of Rabbi Jill L. Maderer of Scotch Plains during a ceremony that included the ordination of 31 rabbis and the investiture of 11 cantors.

In July, Rabbi Maderer began work at Congregation Rodeph Shalom, a 1200-member Reform synagogue in Philadelphia.

She earned her bachelor's degree, cum laude with honors, in her major of Near Eastern and Judaic Studies with a minor in peace and conflict studies at Brandeis University in Waltham, Mass. Rabbi Maderer earned her master's degree in Hebrew Literature at HUC-JIR in 2000.

During Rabbinate School, she was co-coordinator of the school's soup kitchen and served on its Learning Disabilities Policy Committee. She was awarded the Paul Cowan Memorial Prize for Social Justice and Spir-

itual Growth and the Class of 1987 Prize in Social Action, both in 2000.

While a student at HUC-JIR, she was a rabbinic intern at congregations in Morgantown, W. Va. and Buffalo, N.Y. Most recently, she was a rabbinic intern at the Community Synagogue in Port Washington, N.Y., where she created and administered the youth program, served as family educator and assisted in establishment of the curriculum for the community Hebrew high school.

Working for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in New Jersey, she also taught an introductory Judaism course and created educational materials and workshops on eating disorder prevention.

Rabbi Maderer grew up in Scotch Plains, attending local schools from elementary through graduation from Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School in 1992. She and her family have been long-time members of Temple Emanu-El in Westfield.

AARP Chapter to Hear Talk on Medicare Issues

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Area Chapter No. 4137 of the American Association of Retired Persons will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, November 5, in the Assembly Hall of The Presbyterian Church in Westfield, 140 Mountain Avenue.

The social period with refreshments will begin at 1 p.m., followed by a brief business meeting at 1:30 p.m. Afterwards, guest speaker Jud Stein will discuss "Medicare Eligibility and How the Everchanging Health Care Laws Affect Senior Citizens." A question-and-answer period will follow his talk.

Chapter members are asked to bring canned and boxed grocery items for the needy to this meeting. Campbell's Soup Labels and alumi-

num can pull tabs are also requested to be used for credit to help child cancer patients. Donations of knitting yarn are requested as well.

Reservations will be taken at the meeting for the chapter's Holiday Luncheon on Monday, December 3, at noon at The Westwood in Garwood. Individuals may also call Chairwoman Marie Stock at (908) 925-2536.

The next one-day bus trip will be to the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse on Thursday, February 14, for a full luncheon and a performance of the comedy *Butterflies Are Free*. The entire cost is \$48 and reservations may be made at Monday's meeting or by calling (908) 232-7153. Guests and prospective members are invited to attend the meeting.

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