Sally McCracken, 77, Was Avid Golfer; **Enjoyed Volunteer Work and Sports**

Sally Morss McCracken, 77, of Savannah, Ga., wife of C. Chesney McCracken, died on Monday evening, December 25, at The Oaks at The Marshes of Skidaway Island under the care of Hospice Savannah.

Born in Summit, she was a daughter of the late Dwight Foster Morss and Dorothy Kinne Morss. Mrs. McCracken was a member of the Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church.

She was a 1946 graduate of Kent Place School in Summit and a 1950 graduate of Smith College in Northampton, Mass. After graduating from Smith College, Sally worked in many different areas, including New York Telephone, Harvard Business School and American Petroleum Institute. She had many interests, including her volunteer work and sports.

Mr. and Mrs. McCracken moved to The Landings on Skidaway Island in 1991. While there, Sally was an active volunteer and an avid golfer, also serving a term on the board of The Landings Women's Golf Association.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Colonel Dwight Foster Morss, Jr.

Surviving are her husband of 51 years, C. Chesney McCracken of Savannah, Ga.; one daughter, Elisabeth Morss McCracken Connery and her husband, Tom, of Reading, Mass.; three sons, Robert Wylie McCracken, II of North Brunswick, N.J. and Ouebec, Canada, Stuart Chesney McCracken and his wife, Lee, of Charlotte, N.C. and Douglas Morss McCracken and his wife, Elizabeth, of Marietta, Ga.; nine grandchildren, Ian H. McCracken, Christian H. McCracken, Megan Lee McCracken, Matthew T. Connery, Gregory S. Connery, William McCracken Connery, Christopher J. Connery, Caroline E. McCracken and Alexander Morss McCracken; one sister, Margaret Morss Stokes, and her husband, John, of Waitsfield, Vt.; one sister-in-law, Jessie Morss of Denver, Colo.; eight nieces and nephews and 17 great-nieces and neph-

A funeral service was held on Friday morning, December 29, at the Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church, conducted by the Reverend Dr. John R. Wall. Private inurnment took place in the Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church Cemetery.

Remembrances may be sent to: Coalition for Pulmonary Fibrosis, Suite F, No. 227, 1659 Branham Lane, San Jose, Calif. 95118-5226; Hospice Savannah, Post Office Box 13190, Savannah, Ga. 31416 or Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church, 50 Diamond Causeway, Savannah, Ga. 31411.

Gamble Funeral Service in Savannah, Ga. was in charge of the arrange-

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William Hewitt, 60, Worked as Realtor; **Owned Horse Transportation Company**

William J. Hewitt, 60, a lifelong resident of Scotch Plains, passed away on Thursday, December 21, at Overlook Hospital in Summit after a courageous battle with cancer.

Born in Plainfield, he graduated from Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School in 1964 and attended Franklin Pierce College in Keene, N.H.

Bill was a fixture on the horse show circuit in the 1970s and 1980s with his Runnimede Horse Transportation Company. He was known to go above and beyond to help his clients with even the most difficult of horse situations and shipped everything from a baby elephant to Olympic level show jumpers and dressage horses. Bill had a deep love of animals and nature that was lifelong.

A realtor for many years, he was a member of the New Jersey Association of Realtors. He also worked as an account manager for Entrée magazine of Red Bank for several years. His last employment was as a sales associate with Eastern Marble of Scotch Plains.

Bill was predeceased by his parents, Joan and James Hewitt, and by his sister, Susyn Davis Reid.

He will be deeply missed by his sister, Kim Bonstein, and her husband, Bill, as well as his niece and nephew, Laine and Devon Bonstein, and his many friends.

Visitation will take place beginning at 2 p.m. on Saturday, January 6, at the Rossi Funeral Home, 1937

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Donations in his memory may be made to Best Friends Animal Adoptions, P.O. Box 335, Cranford, N.J. 07016.

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Dow Nuey Wong, 95

Dow Nuey Wong of Westfield died on Sunday, December 24. She was 95 years old.

Born in Canton, China, Mrs. Wong had lived in Irvington before moving to Westfield in 2003.

She was predeceased by her husband, Frank H. Wong, and by her son George Wong.

She was the beloved mother of three daughters, Mary Chin of Westfield, Betty Ming and Virginia Lau, and two sons, Warren and David Wong. Also surviving are her sons-in-law, Allen Chin, William Ming and Henry Lau, and her daughters-inlaw, Jeannette Wong and Lynn Wong. She additionally is survived by 19 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchil-

Services were held on Friday, December 29, at the Chinese Cheung Sang Funeral Home in New York

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the First Baptist Church of Westfield (Chin Family Fund), 170 Elm Street, Westfield, N.J. 07090.

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Ernest Winter, 104, Retired Executive; **Honored For Longtime Volunteerism**

Ernest S. Winter

Ernest S. Winter, age 104, of Westfield passed away Thursday, December 28, 2006, at his residence. He was born on March 11, 1902.

A lifelong resident, he was the son of William H. Winter. His family came to Westfield in 1876 and his great-

grandparents had resided in Warren County since 1780. Mr. Winter gradu-

ated from Westfield High School in 1920. In his business career of 44 years, he was associated with the Rockefeller-Ballard Insurance Group, The Merchants Fire Assurance Corporation of New York and The Merchants Indemnity Corporation. In 1951, he was vice president

and secretary of all three companies as well as a director, along with Laurance S. Rockefeller, of The Washington Assurance Corporation. He also was listed in the "Who's Who of the Insurance and Industry.'

In 1964, when the companies merged with the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Co. of Baltimore, Mr. Winter retired as Vice President in Charge of Agency Production for Canada and several southern and southwestern states. He was a member of the Insurance Society and a director and past president of The Underwriters Golf Association of New York.

Mr. Winter was a dedicated volunteer. He and his first wife, Eva Burrowes Winter, drove Red Cross trucks to canteens, dropping off refreshments to soldiers during World

In retirement, he served as a volunteer officer and board member of the United Fund of Westfield, the United Way of Union County and the Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross. Along with five county chapters, he was instrumental in establishing the Union County Red Cross Free Transportation Program for the elderly and handicapped. He served as its chairman until it was turned over to the Union County Paratransit System in 1980.

He also initiated the idea of the "personalized letter" for fund-rais-

Vivian H. Giuliano, 97

Vivian H. Grieco Giuliano, 97, died on Tuesday, December 26, at Westfield Center-Genesis ElderCare in Westfield.

Born in Jersey City, she had lived in Rochelle Park for 50 years before moving to Westfield 10 years ago. Mrs. Giuliano had been a seam-

stress for many years. She was predeceased by her husband, Sal Giuliano; her son, Sal Giuliano, Jr.; a grandson, Joseph A. Ierardi, Jr.; a sister, Angela Gaglione, and three brothers, Frank Grieco, Anthony Grieco and Dominic Sileo.

Surviving are her daughter, Vivian, and her husband, Joseph A. Ierardi; three grandchildren, Anthony M. and John F. Ierardi and Luanne Carlton; six great-grandchildren and two sisters, Frances Giuliano and Lena

The funeral was held on Saturday, December 30, from the Dooley Colonial Home, 556 Westfield Avenue in Westfield. A Mass of Christian Burial followed at St. Anne's Roman Catholic Church in Garwood. Interment took place at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in East Hanover.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Center For Hope Hospice, 1900 Raritan Road. Scotch Plains, N.J. 07076.

Mr. Winter received a citation from the American National Red Cross in 1983 for his many years of service and chairmanship of the Westfield chapter from 1972 to 1974. In 1986, the United Fund of Westfield presented Mr. Win-

ter with an award of appreciation for his 15 years as a board member and, as the retiring secretary of the United Way of Union County, he received the United Way Volunteer of the Year Award.

In June of 1986, Governor Thomas H. Kean appointed him a member of the New Jersey Highway Safety Council. His other achievements include being honored with the first Westfield/

Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross "Angel On Earth Award" in 1997 for his 82 years of community service. Additionally, he was named the Rotarians' 1992 "Humanitarian of the Year" and the United Way of Union County's 1986 "Volunteer of the Year," and received a 1985 "Special Appreciation Award" from the United Fund of Westfield. He also was an honored 50-year member of the Masons.

Mr. Winter was a 52-year member of the Baltusrol Golf Club of Spring-

He also was a member of the Drug and Chemical Club of New York, the Men's Committee of the Japan International Christian University Foundation and a lifetime member of the First United Methodist Church of Westfield, where he served on the board and Finance Committee for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Jacquelin (Engel) Winter, to whom he was married for 28 years.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, January 5, 2007, at the First United Methodist Church of Westfield, One East Broad Street, with Pastor Ed Carll officiating. All are welcome.

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

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Westfield, the Westfield/ Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross or to the Westfield Can New -United Way. January 4, 2007

Louise Orcutt, 84

Louise Giannetta Orcutt, 84, of Westfield died on Monday, January 1, at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in Rahway.

Born in Scranton, Pa., she lived in Westfield since 1952.

Mrs. Orcutt had worked at Hyatt Roller Bearing in Clark for 15 years and then for several years at General Motors in Linden before retiring in

A member of the Rosary Society at the Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Westfield, she also had been a volunteer with Deborah Hospital in Browns Mills.

Surviving are her husband, Earl E. Orcutt; a son, Earl A. Orcutt of Freehold; two granddaughters and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at 9 a.m. today, Thursday, January 4, from the Dooley Colonial Home, 556 Westfield Avenue in Westfield. A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Church. Entombment will take place at Rosedale Memorial Park in Linden.

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

Roy W. Bruning, 80, Was Fire Captain; St. Helen's Volunteer and Navy Veteran

Roy W. Bruning, 80, of Westfield died on Friday, December 29, at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in Rahway.

Born in Jersey City, he had lived in Roselle before moving to Westfield in 1996. He was a United States Army veteran of World War II.

Mr. Bruning retired as a captain in 1980 after 30 years with the Roselle Fire Department. He then worked as a technician at the Westfield Animal Hospital from 1980 to 1992.

Roman Catholic Church in Westfield and a member of the Tuckerton Seaport Association. He was predeceased by his wife,

He was a volunteer at St. Helen's

Dorothy Bruning, in 1994.

Surviving are his wife, Frances Olson Bruning (Cook); a sister, Viola Fish, and three stepdaughters and their

A Mass of Christian Burial was offered on Tuesday, January 2, at St. Helen's Church. Burial took place at

Fairview Cemetery in Westfield. Arrangements were by the Dooley Colonial Home, 556 Westfield Av-

enue in Westfield. Memorial donations may be made to Helping Hands and Hearts, in care of St. Helen's Parish Center, 1600 Rahway Avenue, Westfield, N.J. 07090 or to the Westfield Rescue Squad, 335 Watterson Street, Westfield, N.J. 07090.

Memorial Service to Be Held Sunday For Robert R. Heckman In Westfield

A memorial service for Robert R. Heckman will be held on Sunday, January 7, at 1 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Westfield.

Mr. Heckman died on Sunday, December 17, at his home in Au-

Born in Tusseyville, Pa., he grew up in Asbury Park and had lived in Westfield for 52 years before recently moving to Augusta.

Mr. Heckman was employed for 43 years with the Department of Banking and Insurance for the State of New Jersey as a Special Deputy Commissioner of Insurance. He retired in 1990.

He was a United States Army Air Corps veteran and a first lieutenant during World War II.

Active with the First Baptist Church of Westfield, he was a deacon, usher, financial secretary and a member of the bowling team. He also was a member of the ROMEOS.

His first wife, Ruth Heckman, pre-

Elizabeth E. Stein, 99 Elizabeth E. Stein, 99, died on

Monday, January 1, at Fellowship Village in Basking Ridge. Born in Philadelphia, Pa., she had

resided in Westfield for many years before moving to Basking Ridge four Mrs. Stein had been a first-grade

teacher in the Westfield school system for 28 years, retiring in 1972. After her retirement, she volunteered at Children's Specialized Hospital and also at the Westlake School.

Her husband of 68 years, Charles W.C. Stein, died on December 23. Surviving is a sister, Margaret Wolcken.

Graveside services will be held at 11:30 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, January 5, at Lawnview Cemetery in Abington, Pa. A memorial service is

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

Memorial donations may be made to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 414 East Broad Street, Westfield, N.J. 07090.

deceased him.

Surviving are his wife, Elvera Christopher Heckman; a son, Jim Heckman; a daughter, Lori Kimmelman; a stepson, Rick Christopher; two stepdaughters, Linda Christopher and Andrea Torczon; a brother, Bill Heckman; two sisters, Peg Sherman and Eleanor Mooney; four grandchildren and eight stepgrandchildren.

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

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

James M. Howard, 49

James M. Howard, 49, of Pataskala, Ohio died on Tuesday, December 26, at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Born in Westfield, Mr. Howard was Chief Executive Officer of Howard Industries and chairman of the Pataskala Board of Zoning Appeals. He also was a member of the Jersey Baptist Church in Jersey, Ohio.

His father, James O. Howard, predeceased him.

Surviving are his wife of 14 years, Bonnie Howard; their children, Caitlin, Courtney and James Carson Howard; his mother, Maybelle Howard; a brother, Robert (Valerie) Howard; a sister, Cindy (Greg) Peterson; his nieces and nephews, Abigail and Austin Howard and Amy, Megan and Brent Peterson; his father-in-law and motherin-law, Al and Ellen Davis; his brotherin-law, Lee Davis, and sister-in-law, Beverly Peters.

Funeral services were entrusted to Schoedinger Northeast Chapel, 1051 East Johnstown Road, Gahanna, Ohio 43230. Services were held on Friday, December 29, at the Jersey Baptist Church.

Contributions may be made to the Mayo Clinic, 200 First Street S.W., Rochester, Minn. 55905 in memory of James Howard for Thyroid Cancer Research. To extend condolences, please visit www.schoedinger.com.

George E. Milliman, 69, Exxon Chemist; **Held Doctorate From Carnegie Mellon**

George E. Milliman, 69, of Scotch Plains died on Friday, December 15,

at his home. Born in New York City, he had resided in the Fanwood-Scotch Plains

area since 1969. Mr. Milliman graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Rochester in Rochester, N.Y. in 1959. In 1964, he received his Doctorate in Analytical Chemis-

try from Carnegie Mellon University

in Pittsburgh, Pa. He was employed as a research chemist with Exxon Research and Engineering in Linden for 44 years, retiring in 1998. Mr. Milliman later worked for Technical Processing in

Paterson. He was a member of the Sigma Xi Research Society and the American

Chemical Society. Surviving are his children, Karin Milliman of Oakland, Calif. and Kevin Milliman of Littleton, Colo.; his former wife, Trixie Milliman of New York City, and two grandchildren.

Private services and interment were under the direction of the Memorial Funeral Home, 155 South Avenue in Fanwood.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Al-Anon Family Group, 1600 Corporate Lane Parkway, Virginia Beach, Va. 23454-5617.

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