

Cheryl L. Slocum, 58, Registered Nurse; Devoted to Her Husband and Children

Surrounded by family, Cheryl Lynn Slocum, 58, died on Tuesday, June 5, 2007, in her Crawfordville, Ind. home after an extended illness.

Born Cheryl Lynn Alston on December 1, 1948 in Gainesville, Fla., she was raised in Sarasota, Fla. Cheryl was the wife of Frank H. Slocum, Jr., formerly of Westfield, and the daughter-in-law of the late F. Heidl Slocum, Sr. and the late Florence Slocum of Westfield.

Cheryl graduated from Riverview High School in Sarasota in 1966. After working as a telephone operator and a bank teller, she attended and graduated from Hillsborough Community College in Tampa, Fla. with a degree in nursing, and soon after passed her boards as a registered nurse.

Cheryl worked as a public health nurse in Michigan while her husband completed his military duties. She then worked as ward nurse at the Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio. In 1977, Cheryl moved to Medford, N.J., where she and her husband resided for 19 years and where her three children were born.

Choosing to remain at home and raise her children to young adult-

hood, Cheryl returned to nursing in 2003, at the Clarian Indiana University Hospital in Indianapolis, Ind., until her treatments made further employment too difficult.

She was very proud of her achievements, but most of all her three children, who she deeply cherished.

Surviving are her husband of 33 years, Frank H. Slocum, Jr. of Crawfordville, Ind.; her daughters, Courtney P. and Kyleigh A. of Atlanta, Ga. and Whitney H., now of Crawfordville. She also is survived by her mother, Dorothy R. Hayes of Sarasota; a brother, Thomas R. Hayes of Terra Ceia, Fla., and two sisters, Marilyn Hayes and Jacqueline Hayes, both of Sarasota.

The family plans memorial services in Indiana and Medford, N.J. The Medford service is planned for noon on Sunday, June 24, at the Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Tabernacle, N.J.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, a donation be made in Cheryl's name to the Colorectal Cancer Coalition (www.c-three.org) or to the Lord of Life Lutheran Church. Condolences may be sent to: dito@tctc.com.

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Cheryl Lynn Slocum

Fanny Wood Day Committee Seeks Volunteers, Vendors

FANWOOD - The Fanny Wood Day Committee has announced that the 12th Annual Fanny Wood Day will be held on Sunday, September 30.

The event is held at the corner of Martine and South Avenues in downtown Fanwood and begins at noon and will continue until 5 p.m.

The Committee has been meeting throughout the summer to finalize plans for this year's event, which is

chaired by Bruce Zakarin and Jennifer Ricci, Executive Director of the Chelsea at Fanwood. The Committee includes representatives from Public Works, the Police Department and a number of local volunteers, some of who have been helping since the first Fanny Wood Day in 1996.

The Committee has been busy soliciting a variety of vendors who, along with local merchants, will have stands on Martine and South Avenues. Registered vendors will provide food, crafts and various items suitable for young and old alike. A number of local non-profit organizations and local professionals will also be on hand to provide information and services. Vendors interested in reserving a spot at the festival should call (908) 654-5200.

A special area will be set aside for children, with rides and entertainment. A DJ will be on hand to provide music and broadcast the results of contests being scheduled throughout the day.

The Cougar Car Club will host an exhibition of classic automobiles in the Fanwood Train Station parking lot along South Avenue. If you have an old car and want to be part of the show, call Don Wussler at (908) 889-1709.

"An ad journal with a complete listing of the day's events and information about some of Fanwood's local businesses and supporters will be mailed to each household in early September," said Fanwood councilwoman Donna Dolce. "We encourage everyone to set aside September 30 and join us downtown to honor Fanwood's legendary first lady and to celebrate Fanwood's 112th Birthday."

Anyone interested in volunteering to help on September 30 should contact Jennifer Ricci at 908-654-5200.

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A TALENT FOR TAI CHI...Former Westfield resident Elizabeth Mitchell, a retired teacher and educational administrator, describes the Chinese discipline of Tai Chi to members of the Westfield Area Old Guard at the group's May 17 meeting. The Old Guard meets every Thursday morning at the Westfield Area "Y," located at 220 Clark Street in Westfield.

Obituaries

Hunter B. Grant, Jr., 86, Active Locally; Had Been Partner In Wall Street Firm

Hunter Beaton Grant, Jr., 86, of Palo Alto, Calif. died on Friday, June 1, at the Classic Residence by Hyatt Skilled Nursing Center in Palo Alto.

Born in East Orange in 1920, Hunter had lived in Maplewood, where he graduated from Columbia High School. He received his undergraduate degree from Upsilon College and his Master of Business Administration degree from Harvard Business School.

During World War II, he was stationed in Pensacola, Fla., where he received his Gold Wings and served in the Naval Air Corp as a flight instructor. He married Nancy Beisler in 1945.

Hunter was a partner in a Wall Street firm, currently known as Advest.

He was a trustee, deacon and elder of The Presbyterian Church in Westfield and a member of the West Fields Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, the St. Andrew's Society of New York, the Bond Club of New York and the Westfield Historical Society.

He also was a member of Echo Lake Country Club in Westfield, the Quail Ridge Country Club in Boynton Beach, Fla., the Delray Beach Club in Delray Beach, Fla. and the New York Harbor View Club of New York, and

a lifetime member of the Marines Memorial Club of San Francisco, Calif.

Surviving are his wife, Nancy Beisler Grant of Palo Alto, Calif.; his son and daughter-in-law, Lawrence Hunter Grant and Ruth Small Grant of Half Moon Bay, Calif.; his grandson, Hunter Small Grant of Huntington Beach, Calif.; his granddaughter, Kimbrough Beisler Grant of San Francisco, Calif.; his sister, Gail Grant de la Motte of West Long Branch; two nieces, Jeanne Edmunds and Claire Vining; three grandnieces, Aimee Parks, Nicole Edmunds and Michel Vining, and a grandnephew, Lucas Vining.

A memorial service will be held at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield, 140 Mountain Avenue in Westfield, at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, June 25. Interment was private at the historical Revolutionary War Cemetery in Westfield.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorial donations be made to Children's Specialized Hospital, 150 New Providence Road, Mountainside, N.J. 07092 in his name.

Arrangements are under the direction of Spangler Mortuaries Menlo Park Chapel in Menlo Park, Calif.

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Hunter B. Grant, Jr.

More Community/Area News

County Library Initiative Boosts Services For Patrons

COUNTY - The Union County Library Connection Initiative, developed last year by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, is available to all county residents. The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders developed the Library Connection Initiative last year.

The Library Connections Initiative gives researchers direct links to all the municipal libraries in the county. In

addition, the gateway provides library cardholders access to information published by ProQuest from home or from any library in Union County.

Recently, ProQuest Historical Newspapers has been updated to include Extra! Edition. This service delivers all the search options of the traditional ProQuest interface, plus editorial content aligned to commonly accessed articles.

Researchers can use the database to find news, editorials, letters to the editor, obituaries and birth and marriage announcements, as well as historical photographs, stock photos and advertisements.

Cardholders have access to three online databases. The county offers both in-library and remote access (using a library card number) to ProQuest's historical New York Times, which provides full image access to articles from *The New York Times* from 1851 to 2003 in an easily-accessible, easily-searched format.

The county also offers genealogy services via ProQuest's Heritage Quest and Ancestry databases, which residents can use to trace their family tree, among other activities. These services can be used in every public library in Union County, and the *Times* and one of the genealogy services can be used remotely from home by library cardholders.

To access information from the Library Connections website, please visit uncj.org/libraries. For additional information or help with access, individuals may contact their local library.

College Aid Workshop At Springfield Library

SPRINGFIELD—A free workshop is being held for parents of college-bound high school students at the Springfield Library, located at 66 Mountain Ave, Springfield, on June 27 at 7 p.m.

The workshop will focus on little-known ways of getting money to help pay for college.

The presentation will include: how to increase your eligibility for free grant money, the secret to sending

your child to a private college for less than the cost of a junior college, and the single biggest mistake that 9 out of 10 parents make when planning for college.

American Education Funding, a non-profit organization in New Jersey, will offer the workshop. Seating at each location is free but limited. To reserve a seat, call (201) 566-3013 or the library at (973) 376-4930, or e-mail info@americaneducationfunding.org.

Selma Kaufman, Was Volunteer; Worked For MIT and SP-F BOE

Selma Malkiel Kaufman of Scotch Plains died on Thursday, June 7, the same date her beloved husband died 17 years earlier. She passed away peacefully in her home after a brief illness.

Born and raised in Lynn, Mass., she graduated from Tufts University with degrees in physics and mathematics. She worked at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education and at Bellcore.

Selma loved reading, gardening, art, politics and her friends and family. She traveled all over the world and read *The New Yorker* cover to cover all of her adult life. She also volunteered at both the Newark Museum and the George Street Playhouse.

Her husband, Arnold Kaufman, died in 1990. He was a research director with Merck in Rahway at the time of his death.

Selma is survived by three children, Emily Kaufman Clary of Tarrytown, N.Y., Peter Kaufman of State College, Pa. and Jean Kaufman Cruz of Westfield, N.J.; two sons-in-law, Greg Clary and Andres Cruz, and four grandchildren, Grace Cruz of Tarrytown and Alexander, Gabrielle and Jacob Cruz of Westfield.

A small, private graveside service

has been held. Arrangements are by the Dooley Colonial Home, 556 Westfield Avenue in Westfield.

Donations in lieu of flowers should be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Greater North Jersey Chapter, 1 Kalisa Way, Suite 205, Paramus, N.J. 07652.

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James S. Hitchcock, 94

James S. Hitchcock, 94, of Westfield died on Wednesday, June 6, at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

Born in Odessa, N.Y., he had lived in the Shore Acres section of Brick and Manahawkin before moving to Westfield four years ago.

Mr. Hitchcock had been an airline pilot with United Airlines for 40 years before retiring many years ago.

His wife of 63 years, Lucille Hitchcock, predeceased him in 2005.

Surviving are two daughters, Jan Mankowski of Cranford and Catherine Klute of Denbigh, Va.; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Services were held on Monday, June 11, at the All Saints' Episcopal Church in Scotch Plains.

Arrangements were by the Dooley Funeral Home, 218 North Avenue in Cranford.

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Robert E. Belcher, 74, Was Engineer; Had Been Volunteer at Area Hospital

Robert Earl Belcher, 74, of Surf City, formerly of Westfield, passed away on Friday, May 11.

Mr. Belcher was born on May 20, 1932 in Westfield to the late Earl J. and Louise Bassell Belcher. An engineer, he had lived in Westfield for 30 years before moving to Surf City in 1995.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Westfield and a volunteer at Southern Ocean County Hospital in Manahawkin.

His wife, Barbara B. Belcher, predeceased him in January.

Surviving are his sons, Timothy A. Belcher of Spotswood, William J. Reeve of Somerset and James D.

Reeve of Charlotte, N.C.; his daughters, Carol A. Arvanites of Groton, Conn. and Susan C. B. Aschenbrenner of Concord, N.C.; his sister, Margaret Ross of Hop Bottom, Pa., and four grandchildren.

His memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 23, at the First Baptist Church of Westfield.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 400 Morris Avenue, Suite 251, Denville, N.J. 07834-1365 or SJH Hospice Care, 2848 South Delsea Drive, Vineland, N.J. 08360.

The DeMarco-Luisi Funeral Home of Vineland is serving the family.

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Frances D. Hunt, 85, Enjoyed Family; Helped Disadvantaged Kids to Read

Frances D. Hunt, 85, of Kensington Green in Southbury, Conn. died on Tuesday, June 12, after a brief illness following a four-year battle with Alzheimer's Disease. She was the widow of Walter Scott Hunt.

Mrs. Hunt was born November 15, 1921 in New York City, daughter of the late Francis J. W. and Ellen (MacQuaid) Duffy. Honey received her bachelor's degree from The College of New Rochelle and was involved in and supported numerous charities over the years.

She was active in volunteer organizations such as Birthright and groups that taught disadvantaged kids to read, was a former member of the Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Westfield for many years and then was a member of St. Thomas the Apostle Roman Catholic Church in Oxford.

Honey was a voracious reader, a devoted friend, a strong partner to her husband, Walt, and an engaging mother.

She is survived by a daughter,

Cecily Hunt-Davis of Woodbury, Conn.; two sons, Peter Hunt of Yardley, Pa. and Chris Hunt of San Carlos, Calif.; seven grandchildren, Caitlin Davis, Gillian Davis and Griffin Davis, Eliza Hunt and Matt Hunt, Aidan Jackson and Sarah Kate Duffy, and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by a sister, Virginia D. Hunt, and a brother, Stanley Duffy.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held tomorrow, Friday, June 15, at 11 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Oxford. Burial will take place at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Watertown, Conn.

Friends may call at the Southbury Funeral Home of Munson-Lovetere, 235 Main Street, North, in Southbury, Conn. today, Thursday, June 14, from 5 to 8 p.m.

Memorial contributions can be made to Regional Hospice, 30 West Street, Danbury, Conn. 06810. To send an online condolence, please visit www.munsonlovetererfuneralhome.com.

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WHS Class of '59 Plans 50th Reunion

WESTFIELD - The Westfield High School (WHS) Class of 1959 is now planning its 50th reunion.

Organizers are seeking addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses of classmates who may have moved or have been out of touch.

Anyone with information can contact Reunion Chairman Barbara Jewett O'Desky by e-mail at bodesky@aol.com or by calling Publicity Chairman Dillard Bird at (609) 871-4267.

Fitness Center Offers Father's Day Workout

SCOTCH PLAINS - RWJ Rahway Fitness and Wellness Center is offering all dads an opportunity to work-out at their facility free of charge on Father's Day, June 17.

Dads can also take advantage of a complimentary Kinesis training session, blood pressure screening and fat analysis on Father's Day. Kinesis is a training modality that focuses on balance, flexibility and stability through movement. The Kinesis sessions will be offered at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. and are limited to four participants each.

RWJ Rahway Fitness and Wellness Center is located at 2120 Lamberts Mill Road in Scotch Plains. For more information, call Sheila at (908) 232-6100.

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