

## Obituaries

### Betty Jane Hagenmiller, 80



Mrs. Betty Jane Hagenmiller, wife of Harold Hagenmiller, died on March 19, 2007 in West Palm Beach, Fla. She was born in Bar Harbor, Maine, on November 30, 1926. She is the daughter of George and Angie Keene Sheehan. Her family moved to Jamestown when she was 4 years old to live near her fraternal grandparents, Dennis and Hannah Sheehan.

Betty leaves four children, Judy Smith, Keith, Kevin and Ronnie Hagenmiller, a daughter-in-law Donna Hagenmiller, a former son-in-law, Joseph Smith and seven grandchildren. She is survived by her twin brother, William S. Sheehan, and sister-in-law Marion Sheehan of Jamestown, as well as many nieces and nephews in Florida and throughout the New

England states. She was the sister of the late Dennis and George Sheehan.

Betty worked for the Industrial National Bank of Jamestown as a teller for twenty years. After retiring from the Citizen's Bank of West Palm Beach, Fla., she continued her career as a teller at the Palm Beach Kennel Club.

Betty enjoyed sports and played on the Citizen's Bank's softball team well into her fifties. Betty and her husband spent many hours following the sports careers of her sons and grandchildren who played soccer, baseball and softball. She loved dancing and never missed the Tuesday card club at the Fernley Clubhouse.

Betty was the "Princess of the Party" at her recent 80th birthday celebration hosted by her friends and family in Florida. She loved Jamestown and was last here during the summer of 2005, when she enjoyed visiting her friends and relatives. She walked and rode around the island marveling at the many

changes that have taken place over the 75 years since she moved here as a child. She was amazed at the changes in the old homes and the influx of new homes. She talked about the changes in the businesses of the town over the decades and the change in the waterfront, from the ferry landing to the construction of the new bridges.

### Donald J. Neil

Retired Master Sgt. Donald J. Neil, a 22-year Army veteran, was killed outside Najaf in Iraq.

He was killed protecting his colleagues from the sudden detonation of a 155mm. munition. He was an explosive ordinance disposal expert.

In addition, Master Sgt. Neil had protected every president from President Carter through President George Bush. He lived with his family in Germany for 12 years.

He helped remove nuclear weapons from Germany and was on President Reagan's protection team when he met Mikhail Gorbachev in Helsinki, Finland.

He was there for the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989. He also taught classes in corporate security long before 9/11.

He and his partner gave classes in security while he was still a Spec 4 to diverse entities, including the Boston Globe.

He was born in Berlin and left at the age of 18 to join the Army. He traveled all over the world with the Army from Hawaii to Europe.

He leaves his wife Cynthia, his daughter, Margaret and his son, Thomas. He was the brother of Michael and Bruce Neil, both of Berlin, Kenneth Neil of Florida, Margaret Letelliere, Lisa Couture and Chrissy Levigne of Berlin, and Molly Binnett of Arizona. He was the nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Christman of Jamestown.

## Fire and EMS Runs

### Fire runs

10:55 a.m., March 19, Car 3, Engine 3, Ladder 1 responded to a smoke detector at Central Baptist Church on Narragansett Avenue.

10:55 a.m., March 19, Engine 3 was sent to assist EMS 1 for a medical call at 28 Hawthorn Rd.

7:30 p.m., March 22, all units turned out for a training drill at the fire station on Narragansett Avenue.

8:37 a.m., March 24, all units were sent to 10 Yawl Ave. for a burner malfunction call.

6 p.m., March 25, Car 2 assisted police at 301 Seaside Dr.

### EMS runs

6:45 p.m., March 18, EMS 1 was sent to the Jamestown Bridge for a possible suicide.

10 p.m., March 19, EMS 1 went to Seaside Drive for a medical emergency. A patient was transported to Newport Hospital.

10:51 a.m., March 19 EMS 2 responded to a medical emergency on Hawthorne Avenue. A person

was transported to Newport Hospital.

2:27 p.m., March 19 EMS 1 transported a person back from Newport Hospital.

5:30 a.m., March 22, EMS 1 was called to Clinton Avenue for a medical emergency. A person was transported to South County Hospital.

1:39 p.m., March 22, EMS 2 transported a person from Newport Hospital to Jamestown.

7:27 p.m., March 23, EMS 1 responded to a training-fire rehab at Beavertail.

5:15 a.m., March 23, EMS 1 went to Bow Street for a medical emergency, the call was cancelled en route.

8:15 a.m., March 23, EMS 1 responded to a medical call on Pemberton Street. Patient was transported to South County Hospital.

10:53 a.m., March 23, EMS 1 was dispatched to Brook Street for a medical emergency. Patient was taken to Newport Hospital.

8:41 a.m., March 24, EMS 1 went to Yawl Avenue for a fire standby.

## Births

### Keller

Melissa Marie Goncalvez Keller, granddaughter of Jim and Gwen Keller of Jamestown, and the late Sebastião and Terezenha Goncalvez of Brazilia, Brazil, was born on Feb. 15, 2007, to Vera Goncalvez Keller and Jonathan Keller, who live in East Providence. She was welcomed home by her three-year-old brother, André.

### Zayas

Ethan James Zayas, was born on March 14 to Amy (Coleman) and Jeffrey Zayas of Woodstock, Vt. Grandparents are Irene and Daniel Leonard of Jamestown, Kevin Coleman of North Kingstown, and Richard and Linda Zayas of Belows Falls, Vt. Great-grandparents are Elinor Maloney of Blackstone, Mass., and Kevin and Mona Coleman of Lincoln. He was welcomed home by his 2-year-old sister, Keira Ann.

## Vogue highlights Newport fashion

"What She Wears at Newport!" was the headline article of the August 26, 1909 issue of Vogue, reporting on the most minute details of what was worn at the fashionable beaches and about town.

This perennial comment is the inspiration for The Preservation Society of Newport County's 2007 costume exhibition at Rosecliff, In Vogue: Newport and the American Fashion Press 1880-1920.

In Vogue will showcase 22 Gilded Age costumes, including women's, men's and children's wear. Highlights include a c.1885 afternoon dress, and a c.1910 evening dress by Maison Worth of Paris.

The exhibition, curated by Preservation Society dress historian Rebecca Kelly, will showcase not only clothing, but a full range of accessories, illustrations and photographs of the period.

The exhibit, included as part of the regular Rosecliff mansion tour, will be on display in the Lesley Bogart Crawford gallery on the second floor from April 8 through November 16. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit [www.NewportMansions.org](http://www.NewportMansions.org).




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