

# OBITUARIES & NEWS

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### Betty J. Larrison

Corning, NY | Betty J. Larrison, 77, of Corning, NY, went to be with the Lord April 1, 2016, at the Steuben Center for Rehabilitation and Healthcare in Bath, NY.

She was born July 16, 1938, in Corning, the daughter of the late Everett Wainwright and Winifred (Wilson) White. Betty and Robert D. Larrison were married October 4, 1963, in Monterey, NY.

Betty retired from Corning, Inc. where she worked as an Executive Secretary.

She liked to quilt, reading her bible and study in the mornings, football, golfing, nascar, watching television, and chatting with her friends on the computer. Through her adventures she met Joe Namath and Wayne Newton. Betty loved to listen to music especially Elvis, Tom Jones, and Michael Bolton. Betty loved her family so very much. Her cat, Princess was her special companion.

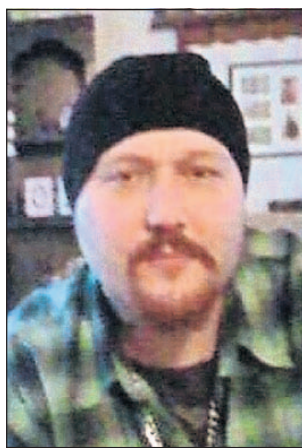
Betty is survived by her loving Husband of 52 years, Robert D. Larrison of Corning; Children, Kim (Kurtis) Loud, Marcine (Sparky) Mayers and Kevin (Ulrike) Larrison all of Corning; Sister, Nonie Cahue (Jerry Schichtel) of Corning; Brother, Jack (Jackie) Wainwright of Hartford City, IN; Sister-in-law, Donna Wainwright of Campbell; Grandchildren, Angela, Joshua, Dana, Robert, John, Christopher and Jeffrey; Great Grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Betty was predeceased by her brother Richard Wainwright.

A Celebration of her life will be celebrated

privately. Burial will be in Goodsell Cemetery, Hornby, NY.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.AclyStoverfuneralhome.com](http://www.AclyStoverfuneralhome.com).

### Jonathan W. Dush



On March 28, 2016, 29 year old John Dush passed away unexpectedly, leaving behind the memory of a fun-loving, kind and sincere young man.

He was born on November 5, 1986 in Galveston, Texas, the son of William C. Dush and Paula J. Dolley.

John graduated from East High School and played football there. He enjoyed fishing and camping.

He is survived by his mother and step-father, Paula J. Dolley and James Sonnevill of Corning; his father, William C. Dush of Galveston, Texas; brothers, David Dush of Corning and Jacob (Lisa Braunscheidel) Dush of Binghamton; step-sister, Amy Sonnevill of Webster; step-brother, Scott Sonnevill of San Diego; aunts and uncles, Yvonne Dolley of Painted Post, Barbara and Dale Brown of Florida and William and Trudy Dolley of Malverne,

NY; niece, Deandra Dush and nephew, Devin Buman, both of Lindley; and cousins, Trudy (Matthew) Lahn, Carl Watson, Walker Watson and Felicia Patrone.

Family and John's many friends are invited to call at Phillips Funeral Home & Cremation Service, 17 W. Pulteney St., Corning, on Saturday, April 9, 2016 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. A celebration of John's life will follow there at 4:00 pm with the Rev. Scott Lowmaster officiating. Unfortunately, John did not have life insurance and his family will be covering the entire cost of his funeral out of pocket. John was raised by a single mother of three boys for the majority of his life and she has always done her best to provide for her family. She is not one who often asks for help but in this time of need the family could use any support offered. Please help support the Dush family on Go Fund Me as they say their final good bye to their beloved son, brother and uncle.

Other donations may be made to the Southeast Steuben County Library Memorial Fund, 300 Civic Center Plaza Corning, NY 14830 or donate to Schizophrenia Research at IMHRO, P.O. Box 680, Rutherford, CA 94573. To leave kind words or to share a memory, please visit [www.PhillipsFuneralHome.com](http://www.PhillipsFuneralHome.com).



## WEEKLY COLUMN | SEN. TOM O'MARA

# We must stay vigilant to protect our freedom

Lahore, Pakistan, on Easter Sunday. Brussels. Paris. San Bernardino, California. These are just a few of the places which, since late last year, have been visited by the death and destruction on which radical terrorism continues to engage its war on civilization as we know it.

The rise of ISIS and other radical terrorist organizations has escalated the stakes for America and many other nations in the global war against terror, as we heard from many world leaders at last week's National Security Summit. But it has also reignited the safety and security concerns and fears of everyday Americans, including New Yorkers.

Former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani has often reflected on the post-9/11 world. He once said, "The attacks of September 11th were intended to break our spirit. Instead we have emerged stronger and more unified. We feel renewed devotion to the principles of political, economic, and religious freedom, the rule of law and respect for human life. We are more determined than ever to live our lives in freedom."

It's a comment – and an achievement – speaking volumes about the fundamental challenges facing this generation of Americans and, in many ways, the future of this nation. It will clearly be a key litmus test for many voters in this year's Presidential election: who will be the strongest leader to keep our homeland secure? And while most citizens, when they consider homeland security and global terrorism, first look to Washington, D.C. for answers, it should be remembered that every level of government must play a role.

We are more determined than ever to live our lives in freedom, I couldn't agree more with former Mayor Giuliani. But this determination, as much or more than at any other time in history, requires enormous effort.

I have written recently – first when the State Senate saluted the soldiers of the 10th



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Mountain Division in Albany and again last week when we thanked our Vietnam veterans as part of National Vietnam Veterans' Day – that we readily acknowledge and honor the commitment and sacrifice of our military men and women in this mission, past and present.

But the work of homeland security and fighting global terrorism may not come to mind immediately as among the fundamental responsibilities of state and local governments, yet it has been and remains work that the post-9/11 world has demanded.

For example, the idea of "public cyber security defense" wouldn't have crossed our desks a generation ago, but here we are and there's no turning back. The threats range from straight-out identity theft to more sophisticated attacks that pose at-large risks to public security. It even bores right down to daily priorities, such as the ability of police, firefighters and other first responders to share real-time information, or the speed at which a police officer can run a check on a license plate.

The current chairman of the state Senate Homeland Security, Veterans and Military Affairs Committee, who has been steadily building a well-respected reputation in this arena of government, recently said, "ISIS has had two years, hundreds of millions of dollars, the sanctuary and the ability to plan, train and recruit for attacks on the U.S. The FBI Director, as early as last spring, requested state and local partners' help in this fight which will occupy our lives for years to come. This bold package of legislation is one of the most impactful actions our state government can take to protect New York – the number one terrorist target in the world."

He was referring to a

package of legislation, which I co-sponsor, recently approved by the Senate aimed at protecting our state from several types of terrorist and criminal activity, specifically by strengthening state laws dealing with cyber terrorism, terrorist recruitment, financial support for terrorist activities, and terrorism-related threats against our police officers as the responsibility of identifying and preventing attacks has increasingly fallen on the shoulders of these men and women at the local level.

We know, for instance, that terrorist organizations are engaged in a constant search for new members, both within the United States and abroad.

One of our Senate-approved measures (\$455) would help prevent and punish those who engage in recruitment activities to get new members that would carry out terrorist acts. The measure creates the crime of terrorism recruitment when a person recruits, solicits, requests, commands, or otherwise attempts to cause another person to engage in terrorist activities.

Another piece of legislation (\$2942) would increase criminal penalties for soliciting or providing support for an act of terrorism. Money laundering and credit card fraud are among the prime sources of funding for terrorist organizations and so this legislation targets those who attempt financially support terrorism through these means.

The overriding goal remains to ensure that statewide safety and security keeps pace with the ability of cyber and other terrorists to cause harm. It's work to ensure that our existing public safety and security systems and laws are as up to date, effective and responsive as possible – and it's work that must be ever vigilant.

— State Sen. Tom O'Mara represents New York's 53rd Senate District, which includes Steuben, Chemung, Schuyler and Yates counties, and a portion of Tompkins County.

## DEATH NOTICES

### Mary K. Colburn

Mary K. Colburn, 66, of Lindley, died Friday, April 1, 2016 at Corning Hospital.

Calling hours are 1-3 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at Haughey Funeral Home, 216 East First Street, Corning.

Services will be held there at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Father Daniel Mahler officiating.

Burial will be at St. Mary's Orthodox

Cemetery, Corning.

### Gerald A. Gabel

Gerald A. Gabel, 80, formerly of Addison, died Friday, April 1, 2016 at Corning Hospital.

Services will be held from noon-3 p.m. April 16 at the Addison Eagles Club, Route 417, Addison.

Arrangements are with H.P. Smith & Son Funeral Home.

### Stephen W. Jackson

Stephen W. Jackson, 69, of Addison, died Saturday, April 2, 2016, at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester.

Calling hours are 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday at H.P. Smith & Son Funeral Home, 1607 Main St. Woodhull.

Services will be held there at 11 a.m. Thursday.

Burial will be at Chenango Cemetery, Troupsburg.

## HOUSING

# Spreading to the suburbs

Rent control expands from pricey San Francisco to bedroom communities

By Janie Har  
The Associated Press

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Charles Edwards is a merry self-described hill-billy from Tennessee who knows much about Victorian-era railroads and not so much about political campaigning.

But this year, the 77-year-old retired city gardener will be knocking on doors in Alameda to persuade voters of this maritime city on San Francisco Bay to support a citizen initiative to cap rent increases. Last June, the rent on his one-bedroom flat increased 24 percent to \$1,300, leaving him \$289 a month for utilities, food and other expenses.

"Like I say, I don't like doing it, but I'm pushed in a corner, I feel like," Edwards said.

Once upon a time, the concept of rent control was



Charles Edwards looks over his model train layout Wednesday in Alameda, Calif. Edwards, a retired city gardener will be knocking on doors in Alameda to persuade voters to support a citizen initiative to cap rent increases. BEN MARGOT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

largely limited to costly, coveted cities such as San Francisco or New York where there were too many people and not enough apartments.

But tenant demand for protections is shifting to San Francisco Bay Area suburbs as priced-out workers flee to sleepy bedroom communities in search of cheaper dwellings. The region known for a sizzling tech-fueled economy has added 440,000 jobs but only 50,000 new housing units, according

to the business-sponsored Bay Area Council.

State legislation approved last week to raise the state's minimum wage to \$15 an hour by 2022 is expected to help tenants afford increasing rents, but can only do so much in a region where the median rent is \$3,350, according to real estate data firm Zillow.

Zillow calculates that a single earner would need an hourly wage of \$67, or \$33.50 each for two, in order to reasonably afford the rent.

## BOX OFFICE

# 'Batman v Superman' falls 68 percent; stays No. 1

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Word of mouth might be kryptonite for "Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice," which fell a steep 68 percent in its second weekend in theaters according to comScore estimates Sunday. The superhero pic earned an estimated \$52.4 million over the weekend, easily besting the modest new openers like "God's Not Dead 2" and "Meet the Blacks."

The Zack Snyder movie cost a reported \$250 million to produce and around \$150 million to market, and has earned an estimated \$261.5 million to date.

It's a critical launching point for a series of

interconnected movies in the DC Comics Universe from Warner Bros. that will include this year's "Suicide Squad" and next year's "Wonder Woman" and two "Justice League" movies, which is why its early performance – and hold – are being so intensely scrutinized.

### At a glance

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to comScore. Where available, the latest international numbers for Friday through Sunday are also included. Final domestic figures will be released Monday.

1. "Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice," \$52.4 million

- (\$85.1 million international).
- "Zootopia," \$20 million (\$30 million international).
- "My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2," \$11.1 million (\$5.6 million international).
- "God's Not Dead 2," \$8.1 million.
- "Miracles From Heaven," \$7.6 million (\$2.3 million international).
- "The Divergent Series: Allegiant," \$5.7 million (\$4.3 million international).
- "10 Cloverfield Lane," \$4.8 million (\$4.6 million international).
- "Meet the Blacks," \$4.1 million.
- "Eye in the Sky," \$4.1 million (\$350,000 international).
- "Deadpool," \$3.5 million (\$1.4 million international).