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walk-right-in-sit-right-down atmosphere at the Buell Street location.

Kuhl said then it was done to protect staff which, given the circumstances, was understandable. But it sent a message that the open-door policy was no more.

Then came the format change to Kuhl's town hall meetings that dated back to his early days as a state representative and carried through three of his four years as a House member. That's when he annually held 30-minute meetings in all the towns and villages in the district to get ideas and hear the concerns of those he represented. Back then, anyone could come and talk and shake the hand of the man they put in office.

But that changed this year. Instead of Kuhl simply standing around and openly chatting with folks, he held meetings with individuals or small groups. Private matters could be better discussed, Kuhl explained.

Many others said issues that Kuhl didn't want to talk about or, more importantly, people he didn't want to see, could be filtered out.

Regardless of how Kuhl explained it, the format change was a buffer. It seemed he became uncomfortably aware that he had become a target of those who disagreed with his voting record, his ties to the Bush administration or his views on health care and immigration. And, he wanted no part of it, at least not face-to-face.

Now, he wants similar protection when he debates Massa. Kuhl wants to make sure he's on a neutral field, or no field at all. He has that option and has exercised it.

Two years ago, Kuhl retained his seat by a very slim margin over Massa, a first-timer to the political realm. Could be Kuhl's thinking that circling the wagons and limiting risk is the best strategy to stay in office.

# Newman dies at 83

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**WESTPORT, CONN.** | Paul Newman never much cared for what he once called the "rubbish" of Hollywood, choosing to live in a quiet community on the opposite corner of the U.S. map, staying with his wife of many years and — long after he became bored with acting — pursuing his dual passions of philanthropy and race cars.

And yet despite enormous success in both endeavors and a vile distaste for celebrity, the Oscar-winning actor never lost the aura of a towering Hollywood movie star, turning in roles later in life that carried all the blue-eyed, heartthrob cool of his anti-hero performances in "Hud," "Cool Hand Luke" and "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid."

The 10-time Academy Award nominee died Friday at age 83, surrounded by family and close friends at his Westport farmhouse following a long battle with cancer, publicist Jeff Sanderson said Saturday.

In May, Newman dropped plans to direct a fall production of "Of Mice and Men" at Connecticut's Westport Country Playhouse, citing unspecified health issues. The following month, a friend disclosed that he was being treated for cancer and Martha Stewart, also a friend, posted photos on her Web site of Newman looking gaunt at a charity luncheon.

But true to his fiercely private nature, Newman remained cagey about his condition, reacting to reports that he had lung cancer with a statement saying only that he was



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In this Feb. 9, 1999 file photo, actor Paul Newman poses at his apartment in New York.

"doing nicely."

As an actor, Newman got his start in theater and on television during the 1950s, and went on to become a legend held in awe by his peers. He won one Oscar and took home two honorary ones, and had major roles in more than 50 motion pictures, including "Exodus," "Butch Cassidy," "The Verdict," "The Sting" and "Absence of Malice."

Newman worked with some of the greatest directors of the past half century,

from Alfred Hitchcock and John Huston to Robert Altman, Martin Scorsese and the Coen brothers. His co-stars included Elizabeth Taylor, Lauren Bacall, Tom Cruise, Tom Hanks and, most famously, Robert Redford, his sidekick in "Butch Cassidy" and "The Sting."

"There is a point where feelings go beyond words," Redford said Saturday. "I have lost a real friend. My life — and this country — is better for his being in it."

**BOOK**

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volunteers Jill and Tom Palmer, who spend about 20 hours a week at the library's garage, according to Doult.

To prepare the books for delivery to the East Corning Fire Hall for the sale, the Palmers use boxes donated by local liquor stores and Corning Meals on Wheels.

The books are then driven to the fire hall, located on Route 352 in East Corning, and unpacked and sorted by other Friends volunteers.

Those wishing to donate books can still do so through Wednesday, but the drop-off point is now at the East Corning Fire Hall.

The sale opens from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday to Friends members only, but people may join at the door

for \$5. The sale opens to the general public from 1-5 p.m. Sunday, and continues for a week. Hours are 9 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Oct. 6 to Oct. 9; 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Oct. 10, and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Oct. 11. Most items will be priced initially at 75 cents to \$3. Prices drop all week, until the sale concludes with a bag/box sale on Oct. 11. For details, call the library at 936-3713.

**OBITUARIES**

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF...**



**HELEN K. WATLOCK**

**CORNING, NY** | Helen K. Watlock 89 years formerly of 364 West Second St., and more recently she had resided at the Rustic Dreams Private Care Home, died Friday September 26, 2008 at Corning Hospital with her family at her side.

She was born October 26, 1918 in Corning, NY the daughter of the late John and Suzanne Banik Kozey. A lifetime resident of Corning, receiving her education in Corning and also later in life her real-estate license.

Helen and George Watlock, Jr. were married June 7, 1941 in Kingston, PA. He predeceased her April 5, 1986.

She became employed with Corning Glass Works at a very early age and worked as an inspector and laboratory technician in the Lab Department, retiring in 1981 with over 74 years service with the company. Following her retirement from Corning Inc. she pursued real-estate sales and enjoyed serving the local people.

Helen was a very active

member of St. Mary's Orthodox Church in Corning and the ACRY of the church, a member of Local 1000, past member of the National Association of Realtors and also the Elmira/Corning Board of Realtors. She enjoyed bowling and was an avid member of the Crystal City Women's Bowling League.

Helen was a very loving and giving person and cared for not only her family but so many others. Her concerns and compassion will truly be missed by those that she touched.

She is survived by her Daughter, Nancy Gabel of Hammondsport, NY, Grandson, Christopher E. Gabel (Stacy Koup) of Corning, NY. Brother, Charles (Vicky) Kozey of Corning, NY, Sisters in law, Helen Nitsche and Ann (Al) Quattrini all of Corning, NY. Several Nieces and Nephews, special friend and neighbor, Miggie De Blasio (her shopping and traveling companion). Her care giving families, Gloria and Bob Lymber and children; Garret and Kyle and Debbie and Joe Caputo and children; Nicholas and Joseph.

She was predeceased by Sisters, Mary Tostanoski, Sue Hagedish and Ann Mulaski Crosetto and Brother, John Kozey, Jr.

Friends may call at the Haughey Funeral Home 216 E. First St., Corning, NY. Monday September 29, 2008 from 2-4pm and 6-8pm with Parastas Service at 7pm. Divine Liturgy will be held Tuesday September 30, 2008 St. Mary's Orthodox Church, Corning, NY at 10am Rev. Stephen Lopusky celebrant. Committal Prayers and Interment will be at the family plot in St. Mary's Orthodox

Cemetery, Corning, NY. The family would appreciate Memorial Donations be given in Helen's name to St. Mary's Orthodox Church, 7 E. Chatfield Place, Painted Post, NY 14870 or American Cancer Association, 1316 College Avenue, Elmira, NY 14901 or the Charity of One's Choice.

To view Helen's video tribute, please visit [www.haugheyfuneralhome.com](http://www.haugheyfuneralhome.com)

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**RUDOLPH C. D'AMICO**

**SYRACUSE, NY** | Mr. Rudolph C. D'Amico, 90, a longtime resident of Utica and Corning, NY, passed away on Tuesday, September 23, 2008 at The Jewish Home of Central NY in Syracuse.

Rudolph was born in Cupoli, Italy, September 10, 1918, a son of the late Silvio and Gilda Emma (Antenucci) D'Amico. The family came to this country when he was a child. He was educated in local schools.

During WWII, Rudy served in the US Army attaining the rank of Captain. Following the war, he served in the US

Air Force Reserves for over twenty-five years, retiring as a Lt. Colonel. On September 23, 1943, Rudolph was joined in marriage to Jennie Forlini. Rudy and Jennie enjoyed a very close and loving marriage of over sixty-three years. Jennie passed away on March 22, 2007, and it is no surprise that he has gone to join her on their anniversary.

Mr. D'Amico was employed at Niagara Mohawk for over forty years retiring as the supervisor of the Power Supply Department.

A talented violinist, Rudy played with the Utica Symphony Orchestra and later with the Corning Philharmonic.

A loving father and grandfather, Rudy is survived by his three children, Rudy and his wife, Anne D'Amico of Marcy, Dr. Ronald D'Amico and Maureen McKeon of Cicero, and Lorraine and her husband, Richard Rossettie of Corning; grandchildren, Ryan D'Amico, Russell and Nina D'Amico, R. Steven D'Amico, Gabriel and Shena Rossettie, Damian and Pia Rossettie and Mark Rossettie; great-grandchildren, Richard Rossettie and Matthew Rossettie Cabrera; brother-in-law and sister-in-law Mario and Charlotte Forlini; nephew, Gregg Forlini; and niece, JoAnn Phares.

His Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Monday at 10:30 am at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish with Military Honors at the conclusion of mass. Interment will be in St. Agnes Cemetery. There are no calling hours. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of mass. Arrangements are with The Matt Funeral Home, of Utica.

In memory of Mr. D'Amico,

**DEATH NOTICES**

**Anita M. Lavris**

**ELMIRA** | Anita M. Lavris, 87, of Eastview Drive, Horseheads, died Friday, Sept. 26, 2008, at St. Joseph's Hospital.

She was a retired inspector with Howell Packaging in Elmira.

Survivors include her husband, Ted Lavris of Horseheads; a daughter, Sally Lavris of Horseheads; a brother, Vincent Trainor of Elmira. Services are private.

Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Elmira.

**Arthur D. Gulliver**

**WELLSBORO, PA.** | Arthur D. "Art" Gulliver, 47, of Wellsboro, Pa., died Saturday, Sept. 27, 2008, at home.

He was employed by General Motors. Survivors include two sons, Jacob Gulliver, Cameron Gulliver, both of Michigan; his mother, Marion of Wellsboro; a brother, Johnny Gulliver of Mansfield; a sister, Arlene Gulliver of Wellsboro.

There will be no services. Arrangements are with Jacquelyn A. Buckheit Funeral Chapel, Crematory & Monuments.

**Margaret J Spicer**

**KERRVILLE, TEXAS** | Margaret J. Spicer, 90, of Kerrville, Texas, formerly of Bath, N.Y., died Friday, Sept. 26, 2008.

She was retired from Haverling Central School, where she worked in the cafeteria.

Survivors include a daughter, Beverly Valentino of Kerrville; a son, Fred Spicer of Washington.

Calling hours are 1-3 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at Fagan's Funeral Home, Bath. Services will be held Thursday at a time to be

determined. Burial will be in Nondaga Cemetery, Bath.

**Jeffery T. Goldsmith**

**COLUMBUS, OHIO** | Jeffery T. Goldsmith, 36, of Columbus, Ohio, and Greenville, Ohio, died Saturday, Sept. 20, 2008, at home.

He was a highway-safety specialist.

Survivors include his mother, Pamela Goldsmith of Sayre, Pa.; a daughter, Sytara Hathaway Goldsmith of Greenville; a son, Jacob Goldsmith of Greenville.

Calling hours are 4-7 p.m. Monday at Sullivan's Funeral Home, Horseheads.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Marantha Bible Chapel, Horseheads, Pastor Tom Allen officiating.

Burial will be in Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Elmira.

**Barbara Franzen Fox**

**CLEARWATER, FLA.** | Barbara Franzen Fox, 61, of Clearwater, Fla., died Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2008.

She was retired.

Survivors include her son, James N. Fox Jr. of Arlington, Mass.; a daughter, Jennifer Fox McAuley of Charlotte, N.C.; her mother, Doris Gruber of Syosset, N.Y.; a brother, Roger Franzen of Murphy, N.C.; a sister, Lois Caliole of Syosset, N.Y.; a brother, Bruce Franzen of Kennesaw, Ga.

Calling hours are 2-5 p.m. today at Carpenter's Funeral Home, 14 E. Pulteney St., Corning, N.Y.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Church.

Burial will be in Coopers Plains Cemetery, Painted Post, N.Y.

**NYSAC**

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services," said NYSAC Executive Director Stephen J. Acuario. "Property taxpayers have suffered long enough from cost shifting from the state."

NYSAC President and Yates

County Administrator Sarah Purdy said counties are standing together on behalf of their property taxpayers.

"Together, we are navigating the waters of tough financial times and developing pragmatic solutions to our shared problems and responsibilities," Purdy said.

please consider donations to the Central Association of the Blind and Visually Impaired, 507 Kent St., Utica, NY 13501. Online Memorials at [www.mattfuneralhome.com](http://www.mattfuneralhome.com)

**ELIZABETH MAE "BETTY" FRANKS**

**CORNING** | Elizabeth Mae "Betty" Franks, age 86, of Painted Post, New York and Bradenton, Florida passed away on Friday, September 26, 2008 at Corning Hospital. She was born on February 7, 1922 in Springfield, PA, the daughter of the late Edwin and Ruth Whipple. She married Gordon Franks on August 22, 1980 in Ridgewood, New Jersey.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Painted Post and she retired from Ingersoll-Rand. She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother, being around her children and grandchildren made her happy. She liked flowers and enjoyed gardening.

Betty is survived by her husband Gordon Franks, children and their spouses John E. Castellana of Rochester, NY,

Karen Lee and Steve Costin of Burnt Hills, NY, Robert Thomas and Darlene Castellana of CA, Mary Ruth Morse of Corning, NY, and Joan and Fran Darcangelo of MD, brothers Merle and Phyllis Ferris of Henrietta, NY and Freeman and Marie Ferris of Elmira, NY, sister Lucille LeBoo of Victor, NY, 12 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her first husband John E. Castellana.

It was Betty's wish that there be no calling hours. A memorial service will be held on Sunday, September 28, 2008 at 8:00pm at Carpenter's Funeral Home, 14 E. Pulteney Street, Corning.

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