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*To Look in the Mirror  
and See Nothing:*

**Long Islanders  
and the Office of Strategic Services  
and Its Successor,  
the Central Intelligence Agency**

The 24,000 member OSS operated overseas on a worldwide basis during World War II with the exception of the Pacific theater where it was banned by Douglas MacArthur. Its budget, which at times appeared to be limitless, was shrouded in war-time expenditure. To date neither the CIA's budget nor the number of employees has been publicly disclosed. It had access to over one hundred and seventy charitable organizations through which it could channel funds to various projects.

In a few instances members of the OSS and CIA were youths when they resided on Long Island or subsequently married spouses who were Long Island residents. For those individuals, a notation has been made for them to direct the reader to the appropriate entry in our *Long Island's Prominent Families* volumes. Other members of the OSS and CIA can be found under their surname entries.

## Office of Strategic Services

**Armour**, Lester, Sr.

- deputy chief, OSS London station
- Southampton

**Barmine**, Alexander Gregory

- [see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume II* – Archibald Roosevelt, Sr. entry]
- Turkey Lane House*, Cold Spring Harbor

**Barnes**, Charles Tracy

- [see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume I* – Courtland Dixon Barnes, Sr. entry]
  - member, OSS' Jedburgh team that made several parachute jumps behind German lines in France
- Nonesuch House*, Manhasset

**Bross**, John Adams, Sr.

- member, OSS' Jedburgh team that made several parachute jumps behind German lines in France

Roslyn

**Bruce**, David Kirkpatrick Este, Sr.

- chief, OSS London station
- Woodlands*, Woodbury

**Bruce**, Evangeline Bell

- [see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume I* – David Kirkpatrick Este Bruce, Sr. entry; subsequently married Bruce but did not live on Long Island]
- member, Cover and Documentation Office of Censorship and Documents Branch, London

**Casey**, William Joseph, Jr.

- coordinator of French Resistance prior to Normandy invasion
- chief of intelligence operations in European theater

*Mayknoll*, Roslyn Harbor

**Clark**, Helen Hitchcock

- stationed in Washington, DC
- Old Westbury

**de Sibour**, Viscount Jacques Jean

- [see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume I* – Elvira Fairchild entry]
  - deputy chief, OSS London station
  - chief OSS intelligence officer, Kunming detachment, China
- Northway House*, Lattingtown

**Dewey**, Charles Schuveltd

East Hampton

**D'Oench**, Russell Grace, Sr.

- assistant to OSS chief of Secret Intelligence, London station
- Searing Farm*, Jericho and Searingtown

**Doundoulakis**, George J.

- Prior to joining the OSS, Doundoulakis had formed a resistance force on Crete. When their unit was betrayed, both George and his brother Helias were evacuated to Libya by torpedo boat. After enlisting in the Secret Intelligence Branch of the OSS, George was sent to Volos, Greece, where he organized and armed some 8,000 partisans and carried out numerous missions in the Mount Pylion region.

North Bellmore

## Office of Strategic Services (cont'd)

### **Doundoulakis, Helias**

- As the only OSS agent in Thessaloniki, Greece, Helias sent 400 radio messages while dodging the Gestapo. One of his messages resulted in the deaths of 1,000 German soldiers. Prior to joining the OSS, Helias was a member of a resistance force on Crete formed by his brother George.

Baldwin

### **Dulles, Allen Welsh**

- chief, OSS Bern, Switzerland, station  
Lloyd Harbor

### **FitzGerald, Desmond**

- served in Burma  
summered on Long Island

### **Goodfellow, Millard Preston, Sr.**

- Deputy Director of Operations  
1208 Ditmas Avenue, Brooklyn

### **Guest, Raymond Richard, Sr.**

[see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume I* – Frederick Edward Guest entry]

- chief of OSS maritime operations in France and Scandinavia  
*Roslyn Manor*, Brookville

### **Halpern, Samuel.**

- executive assistant to OSS chief of Far Eastern Division in its research and analysis branch  
– later transferred to OSS detachment 101 and served in India, Ceylon, and Burma

Brooklyn

### **Hayden, Sterling**

[see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent Families in the Town of East Hampton* – Neil Anderson McConnell entry]

- Hayden received a medical discharge from the British army after he tore a cartilage in his knee, broke an ankle, and injured his spine in a parachute jump at commando school. He enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corp and was selected to join the OSS. His first OSS posting was Cairo where he gathered intelligence and reviewed reports from field agents. He was sent to Yugoslavia where Marshall Tito give him command of some 400 partisans. He later transferred to the OSS Maritime Unit in Italy where he organized a small flotilla of ships that ran Germany's blockade of Yugoslavia to bring supplies to the partisans.

East Hampton

### **Heckscher, August, II**

[see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume I* – Gustave Maurice Heckscher, Sr. entry]

- member, OSS Foreign Nationalities Branch  
– member, OSS Research and Analysis Branch

*Upland House*, Old Westbury

### **Helliwell, Paul Lionel Edward**

- chief, Secret Intelligence branch, Kunming, China  
– early in 1945 was responsible for intelligence operations in French Indochina

Brooklyn

### **Hood, Mrs. Cordelia Dodson (Cordelia Dodson)**

[divorced William Joseph Hood in 1975; did not live on Long Island]

- member, Counter Espionage Branch (X-2), Bern, Switzerland, and London

### **Hood, William Joseph**

- member, Counter Espionage Branch, London and, later, Switzerland; worked closely with British intelligence and double agents; participated in Ultra project which cracked the German Enigma Code

Amagansett

**Office of Strategic Services** (cont'd)

**Huntington**, Ellery Channing, Jr.

- Deputy Director of Special Operations
  - later, OSS Chief of Independent American Military Mission to Marshall Tito
- Garden City

**Huntington**, Helen Catherine DuBois

- [Ellery Channing Huntington, Jr.'s second wife; did not live on Long Island]
- OSS secretary, France

**Hyde**, Henry Baldwin, II

- chief, OSS French Secret Intelligence Desk, Algiers
  - chief, OSS Bern Switzerland, station
- Fire Island

**Jackson**, William Harding, II

- OSS liaison to Great Britain's MI-6
- West Hills

**Keherve**, Jean

- Born in Brittany, France, he spoke French, English, Italian, and some German. He was the driver for William C. Bullitt from 1941-1942 and the OSS driver for Millard Preston Goodfellow.
- Elmont

**Mayer**, Frederick

- led OSS operation Green Up
  - was captured, tortured, and imprisoned in a concentration camp
  - helped to get Innsbruck to surrender without a battle
  - recommended for Congressional Medal of Honor
- Brooklyn

**McKay**, Robert Gordon

- [see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume I* – Alexandra Emery Moore McKay entry]
- army intelligence – attached to OSS
- Chelsea, Muttontown

**Mellon**, Paul

- [see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume I* – Andrew William Mellon entry]
- directed insertion of OSS agents into Western Europe
- Southampton

**Morgan**, Henry Sturgis, Sr.

- chief of OSS Censorship and Documents Section
- Lattingtown  
*Beacon Farm*, Asharoken  
Eaton's Neck

**Morgan**, Junius Spencer

- chief of OSS' Special Fund Branch, London station
- Salutation*, Glen Cove  
*Apple Trees*, Matinecock

**Newhouse**, Norman N.

- adjutant to OSS commander in the Mediterranean, Colonel Edward Glaven
- Jamaica Estates

**Office of Strategic Services** (cont'd)

**Obolensky, Prince Serge**

- chief of OSS operational groups at time of Normandy invasion
- Rose Hill House, Water Mill*

**Ripley, Mary Livingston Eddy**

- [not on Long Island – married to Sidney Dillon Ripley, Jr. ; see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent Families in the Town of Hempstead*, – Sidney Dillon Ripley, Sr. entry]
- stationed in Kunming, China, where she organized the message center

**Ripley, Sidney Dillon, Jr.**

- [see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent Families in the Town of Hempstead*, – Sidney Dillon Ripley, Sr. entry]
- chief of OSS operations in Southeast Asia
- The Crossways, Uniondale*

**Rives, Francis Bayard**

- chief of OSS operations in France
- Mapleglade, Hewlett Bay Park*

**Roosevelt, Kermit, Jr.**

- [see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume II* – Kermit Roosevelt, Sr. entry]
- assistant to OSS' Secret Intelligence Branch Chief for the Near East Stephen Penrose
- wrote official history of OSS
- Mohannes, Cove Neck*

**Roosevelt, Quentin, II**

- OSS liaison officer between U.S. Army and Chinese government and their armed forces
- Cove Neck*

**Rositzke, Harry August**

- served in London, Paris, and Germany, 1944-1946
- 1308 Prospect Place, Brooklyn*

**Shaheen, John Michael**

- Special Projects Officer
- Old Trees, Southampton*

**Sheeline, Paul Cushing**

- Lloyd Harbor*

**Strawbridge, Robert Early, Jr.**

- stationed in London and Washington, DC
- Old Westbury*

**Turano, Anthony**

- member, London Air Dispatch Section, which selected sites into which OSS agents would be parachuted
- Brooklyn*

**Underhill, John Garrett, Jr.**

- encyclopedic knowledge of weaponry made him a useful member of the OSS
- met an untimely death after Kennedy assassination [for further information, see Spinzia, "Adultery, Drugs, Murder, Untimely Deaths, and Long Island's Prominent Families: A Tangled Web." [www.spinzialongislandstates.com](http://www.spinzialongislandstates.com)]
- Brooklyn*

**Wainwright, Stuyvesant, II**

- served in the First Army's OSS unit in France
- member, X-2 branch of OSS (counter intelligence)
- Green Oaks, East Hampton*

## Office of Strategic Services (cont'd)

### Welles, Benjamin Sumner, IV

[see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent South Shore Families: Their Estates and Their Country Homes in the Towns of Babylon and Islip*, – Benjamin Sumner Welles II (aka Sumner Welles) entry]

- stationed in North Africa
- member, Counter Intelligence, London station
- chief, Special Counter Intelligence, London station

*Welles House*, Islip

## Central Intelligence Agency

### Armstrong, Hamilton Fish

- consultant to CIA's Board of National Estimate in 1950s

*Box Hill*, Laurel Hollow

### Barnes, Charles Tracy

[see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume I* – Courtland Dixon Barnes, Sr. entry]

- member, Plans Directorate in 1950s
- chief, CIA station, Frankfurt, Germany, 1954-1956
- chief, CIA station, London, 1957-1959
- assistant to Deputy Director of Plans, 1960-1961
- Chief of Domestic Operations, 1961-1968
- strong supporter of Bay of Pigs invasion
- was a key figure in the 1954 Guatemalan coup which replaced the Guzman regime with that of Armas

*Nonesuch House*, Manhasset

### Bross, John Adams, Sr.

- member, CIA's Office of Policy Coordination (covert operations)
- chief, Covert Action Branch for Eastern Europe
- senior officer, CIA's Clandestine Service
- deputy director, CIA's Programs Evaluation, 1963-1971
- chief, CIA's National Intelligence Programs Staff

Roslyn

### Blum, Robert Edward

- trustee of Foundation for Youth and Student Affairs which received financial support from the CIA

Bay Shore

### Canfield, Cass, Sr.

- trustee of Fairfield Foundation which was money conduit for the CIA

*Park Stile*, Woodbury

### Casey, William Joseph, Jr.

- Director of CIA, 1981-1987

*Mayknoll*, Roslyn Harbor

### Coffin, William Sloane, Jr.

[see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume I* – William Sloane Coffin, Sr. entry]

- member, Office of Policy Coordination, Germany, 1950  
As case officer, he recruited and trained anti-Soviet Russian émigrés to be infiltrated into the Soviet Union. He thought Hitler was a Boy Scout compared to Stalin.
- retired from CIA and became a minister at Riverside Church in NYC. During 1960s he was active in the civil rights and anti-war movements.

Oyster Bay Cove

**Central Intelligence Agency** (cont'd)

**Dean, Arthur Hobson**

- trustee, Asia Foundation which received financial support from the CIA
- Homewood, Upper Brookville*

**Davidson, Frederick Trubee**

- Director of CIA Personnel, 1951-1952
- Peacock Point, Lattingtown*

**Dulles, Allen Welsh**

- Director of CIA, 1953-1961 – resigned due to failure of Bay of Pigs Invasion
- Lloyd Harbor

**Dulles, John Foster**

- president and chairman of board, Rockefeller Foundation, which had close ties to the CIA; the foundation gave money for the CIA's mind control research
- Lloyd Harbor

**FitzGerald, Desmond**

- member, CIA's Office of Policy Coordination
  - acting head, Far Eastern Division, 1954
  - chief of Psychological and Paramilitary Warfare staff
  - Deputy Director of CIA, 1905
- summered on Long Island

**Fleischmann, Julius**

- president, Farfield Foundation, a conduit for CIA money which existed solely on paper
- The Lindens, Sands Point*

**Ford, Henry, II**

- chairman of the board of the Ford Foundation, which had close ties to the CIA
- Driftwood, Southampton*

**Grace, Joseph Peter, II**

- chairman of the board, American Institute for Free Labor Development, which was a conduit for CIA money
- Gracewood, North Hills*

**Halperin, Samuel**

- member, Far Eastern Division, 1947-1959
  - deputy chief of operations and executive officer, Tokyo station, 1959-1961
  - operations officer in Saigon during early stages of the war
  - executive officer, Task Force W, 1961-1964 (Task Force W was involved in attempts to overthrow Fidel Castro)
  - deputy director for plans, 1965-1966
  - deputy chief, Division of Domestic Collection in early 1970s
- Brooklyn

**Harriman, William Averell (aka Averell Harriman)**

- As administrator of the Marshall Plan (European Recovery Program), Harriman authorized the transfer of funds to the CIA.
- Sands Point  
Old Westbury

**Helliwell, Paul Lionel Edward**

- aide to Frank S. Wisner in Office of Policy Coordination
- Brooklyn

## Central Intelligence Agency (cont'd)

### Holmes, Jay

- president, Holmes Foundation which was a CIA money conduit  
East Hampton

### Hood, Cordelia Dodson

- [divorced William Joseph Hood in 1975; did not live on Long Island]
  - worked for the CIA for 10 years, retiring in 1970; she continued to work for the CIA until 1980 as a contract agent

### Hood, William Joseph

- chief of station, Frankfurt, Germany
- chief of station, Berlin, Germany
- deputy, Counter Intelligence (under James Jesus Angleton)
- chief, Covert Operations in Latin America, 1962
- He was one of the six senior CIA officials that signed off on a misleading cable to the CIA station in Mexico City. The cable omitted mentioning that Lee Harvey Oswald had recently been arrested due to an altercation with anti-Castro Cubans. It also stated that Oswald's time in the Soviet Union had a "maturing effect" on him. As a result of the cable, the FBI took Oswald off its "people of interest list." Forty-three days after the cable was sent, President Kennedy was assassinated. In 2001 the cable was fully declassified.

Amagansett

### Hugel, Max C.

- Deputy Director of Operations, May 1981-July 1981 – Totally mismatched to the CIA culture, Hugel may have had the shortest career in the agency.

Brooklyn

### Jackson, William Harding, II

- Deputy Director of the CIA, 1950-1951
- later served as CIA consultant to director

West Hills

### James, Robert Campbell

[see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume I* – Oliver Burr James, Sr. entry]

- ran coastal guerrillas into China from coastal islands in early 1950s
- served in Laos, 1957

*Rocky Point*, Laurel Hollow

### Kaplan, Jacob Merrill

- president and treasurer, J. M. Kaplan Fund, a CIA conduit for Latin America  
East Hampton

### Lovett, Robert Abercrombie

- trustee, Rockefeller Foundation, which had close ties to the CIA;  
the foundation gave money for the CIA's mind control research

*Green Arbors*, Lattingtown

### Matthiessen, Peter

- co-founded and wrote for the *Paris Review*
- wrote the novel *Partisans* while working for the CIA in France

Sagaponack



## Central Intelligence Agency (cont'd)

### Meyer, Cord, Jr. (aka Cord Meyer IV)

[see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume I* – Cord Meyer II. entry]

- member, Office of Policy Coordination (covert action)
- member, International Organization Division
- chief, International Organization Division, 1954
- chief, Clandestine Service's Covert Action Staff, 1962
- assistant deputy Director for Plans, 1967-1973
- chief, CIA's London station, 1973-1976
- special assistant to Deputy Director of CIA, 1977
- director, CIA psychological warfare

### Paley, William Samuel

- While president and chairman of the board, allowed CBS network to provide cover for CIA agents.
- gave CIA access to CBS files and correspondents

*Kiluna Farm*, North Hills

### Poor, Henry Varnum, III

- member of CIA, 1950-1952

Port Washington

### Roosevelt, Archibald Bulloch, Jr.

- attaché, American embassy, Beirut, 1949
- consul, American embassy, Istanbul, 1951-1953
- chief of station, Madrid, 1962
- chief of station, London, 1966

*Turkey Lane House*, Cold Spring Harbor

### Roosevelt, Cornelius Van Schaack

[see Spinzia, *Long Island's Prominent North Shore Families, Volume II* – Theodore Roosevelt, Jr.. entry]

- chief of CIA's Technical Services Division

*Old Orchard*, Cove Neck

### Roosevelt, Frances

- unconfirmed member of CIA

*Sakunski*, Cove Neck

### Roosevelt, Kermit, Jr.

- initially served as political operations assistant to Chief of Clandestine Service
- In 1952 he engineered the coup that overthrew Egypt's King Farouk and put Gamal Nasser in power.
- In 1953, from a safe house in Tehran, he organized and directed the coup which restored the Shah to the throne
- Eventually became Chief of Plans of the Directorate's Near East and Africa Division
- He retired from the CIA in 1957.

*Mohannes*, Cove Neck

### Roosevelt, Quentin, II

- vice-president, China National Aviation Corporation (a Pan American affiliate and CIA cover)
- As a CIA operative, Roosevelt made hazardous airlifts to Chinese Nationalist soldiers.

Cove Neck

## Central Intelligence Agency (cont'd)

### **Rositzke, Harry August**

- member, Secret Intelligence Branch
  - chief agent for operations in Soviet Union, 1952
  - chief of station, New Delhi, India, 1957-1962
  - returned to Washington to work on domestic intelligence operations against Soviet and East European operatives in the U. S.
  - retired from the CIA in 1970
- 1308 Prospect Place, Brooklyn

### **Stralem, Donald Sigmund**

- president, Farfield Foundation which was a conduit for CIA money
  - president, Shelter Rock Foundation which funneled money into the CIA-backed Congress for Cultural Freedom
- Glen Cove

### **Tenet, George John**

- Director of CIA, 1997-2004
- Little Neck

### **Thomas, Norman Mattoon**

- chairman of board, American Committee for Cultural Freedom, which received CIA money via the J. M. Kaplan Fund
- Cold Spring Harbor

### **Underhill, John Garrett, Jr.**

- reputed to have been a contract employee of the CIA
  - encyclopedic knowledge of weaponry
  - met an untimely death after Kennedy assassination [for further information, *see* Spinzia, “Adultery, Drugs, Murder, Untimely Deaths, and Long Island’s Prominent Families: A Tangled Web.” [www.spinzialongislandstates.com](http://www.spinzialongislandstates.com)]
- Brooklyn

### **Whitney, Cornelius Vanderbilt**

- allowed the Whitney Trust to become a conduit for CIA money
- Whitney House*, Old Westbury  
*Oakley Court*, Mill Neck

### **Whitney, John Hay**

- owned CIA front, Forum World Features, which supplied newspapers and magazines around the world
  - he was a CIA quiet channel
- Greentree*, Manhasset