

## DEATHS REPORTED

**Abrams, Lewis J.**  
73, husband of Dona (Lambertus) Abrams, of Mount Joy. April 30, 2008. Heilig Funeral Home, 653-4371

**Burkhart, Leona**  
84, of Denver Nursing Home. April 30, 2008. Roseboro Funeral Home, 336-6531

**Clark, Joyzelle Peck**  
Of 1 Heidelberg Dr., Wernersville. April 28, 2008. Fred F. Groff, Inc. 397-8255

**Erisman, Caroline Rohrer**  
94. April 30, 2008. Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home, 393-9661

**Groff, Lee Allan**  
53, husband of Deborah (Harakel) Groff, of Denver. April 30, 2008. Gravenor Home For Funerals, Inc. 733-6181

**Ludwig, Troy Michael**  
31. April 30, 2008. Charles F. Snyder, Jr. Funeral Home and Chapel, Inc. 560-5100

**Stoltzfus, Benjamin S.**  
Newborn infant son of Jacob and Lydia Stoltzfus Stoltzfus, of 210 Black Barren Rd., Peach Bottom. April 30, 2008. Shivery Funeral Home, 610-593-5967

**Winnerling, Maria M.**  
81, of Hershey. April 30, 2008. Miller/Seckely Funeral Services, 367-1543

**Wissler, Marian V. Groff**  
89, of Landis Homes. April 30, 2008. Furman Home for Funerals, 656-6833

\* No Obituary appears

## Leona Burkhardt

Leona Burkhardt, 84, entered into rest on Wednesday, April 30, 2008 at the Denver Nursing Home. Born in Denver, she was a daughter of the late Walter and Kate (Lebo) Burkhardt. She worked at Bollman Hat Co. for 45 years.

Surviving is a niece, Sandy Kilhefner, Lancaster; and 2 great nephews, David and Chad Kilhefner. The funeral will be



## Joyzelle Peck Clark

Joyzelle Peck Clark of 1 Heidelberg Dr., Wernersville, PA, formerly of Lititz, PA, passed away on Monday, April 28, 2008, at the Phoebe Berks Healthcare Center in Wernersville, PA.

Born in Louisville, KY, she was the daughter of the late Rev. John M. and Clara S. Scholtzhauer Peck and the wife of the late William T. Clark, who died in 1999.

Joyzelle obtained her undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of Buffalo in New York. She taught American History in the Manheim Township High School from 1946-53 and instituted the Guidance Program. She also initiated the Guidance Program at a high school in a different school district from 1953-65. While on the faculty of West Chester State College from 1965-77, Joyzelle taught Guidance Techniques in Graduate School and did psychological testing for both schools and for private individuals.

She was a charter member of The United Church of Christ in East Goshen, PA, where she served on the planning committee, hospitality committee, and altars committee; and was a greeter, teacher and chairman of the Sunday school and assistant church treasurer.

She enjoyed traveling throughout Canada, reading, history, bridge, ballet, gem jewelry making and participating in plays.

Joyzelle is survived by a son, James M., husband of Marianne Clark, Lumberton, NC; three daughters, Judith, wife of James Oski, Gloucester, MA; Marcia Blisard, Poolesville, MD; and Sandra, wife of Duane Varnum, Manhattan Beach, CA, and seven grandchildren.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Joyzelle's Life Celebration service at The United Church of Christ, East Goshen, 1201 N Chester Rd., West Chester, PA, on Sunday, May 4, 2008 at 1:30 PM with Reverend Angelee C. Benner-Smith officiating. Interment will be in St. Paul's United Church of Christ Cemetery, Exton, PA. The family will receive friends at the church on Sunday from 12:30 PM until time of service. Fred F. Groff, Inc., Lan-

## Lee Allan Groff

Lee Allan Groff, 53, of Denver, PA, died on Wednesday, April 30, 2008 at the Reading Hospital. Lee was born in West Reading, PA to Martha I. (Mengel) Groff and the late Paul H. Groff and was



the husband of Deborah "Babes" (Harakel) Groff for 29 years.

In addition to his wife and mother, Lee is survived by two sisters, Jean M., wife of Ray Gehrke of Robeson, PA and Carol A., wife of Frank Forster, of Wernersville, PA, 16 nieces and nephews, 1 great niece and 1 great nephew. Lee was preceded in death by a brother, Dale P. Groff.

Lee graduated from Conrad Weiser High School and attended Penn State University and RACC. He served in the U.S. Army from 1978-82 and attained the rank of Sergeant.

Lee was employed at Fleetwood Homes of PA in Elizabethtown, PA and had previously been employed at Skyline Homes of Ephrata for 24 years. An avid outdoorsman, he held memberships to the Reamstown Athletic Assn., Cushion Peak Rod & Gun Club and the Local Sportsmen Club.

Friends may call at Gravenor Home For Funerals, 100 W. Main St., Ephrata, PA from 7-9 p.m. on Monday, May 5, 2008 and from 10-11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 6, 2008. Funeral services will begin at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday at Gravenor's with the Rev. Drahomir Oslík officiating. Interment will be in Forest Hills Cemetery, Reading, PA.

To offer your condolences please visit: [www.gravenorhomeforfunerals.com](http://www.gravenorhomeforfunerals.com)

## Marian V. Groff Wissler

Marian V. Groff Wissler, 89, of Landis Homes died Wednesday, April 30, 2008 at her residence. Born in Ardmore, Delaware County,



## Maria M. Winnerling

Maria M. Winnerling, 81, of Hershey, died Wednesday, April 30, 2008 at Country Meadows, Hershey.



Born in Regensburg, Germany, she was the daughter of the late Heinrich and Anna Rauch Moser. She was the wife of Christian C. Winnerling who died August 5, 2002. They had celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary on August 16, 2001.

Mrs. Winnerling was a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church, Elizabethtown.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Christian H. Winnerling, who died August 24, 1995 and several brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Winnerling is survived by a son, Jeffrey T., husband of Mary Ann Cierlitsky Winnerling, Elizabethtown; two grandsons, Joshua, Millersville, Seth, Lancaster; a granddaughter, Megan, Burlington, VT; a sister, Else Schankhard, Munich, Germany; and a daughter-in-law, Victoria Winnerling.

A Memorial Service will be held on Monday, May 5, 2008 at St. Peter's Catholic Church, 904 Mill Road, Elizabethtown, PA at 11:00 AM. The family will receive friends from 10:00 until the time of service. There will be no viewing. Interment will take place in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, Lancaster. If desired, contributions may be made to American Lung Association, 630 Janet Avenue, Lancaster, PA 17601. Arrangements by Miller/Seckely Funeral Services, Elizabethtown. [www.millerfuneralhome.com](http://www.millerfuneralhome.com)

## Lewis J. Abrams

Lewis J. Abrams, 73, of Mount Joy, died Wednesday, April 30, 2008 of natural causes at his residence. Born in Washington D.C., he was the son of the late Leonard and



## Caroline Rohrer Erisman

Caroline Rohrer Erisman passed away April 30, 2008 following a brief illness. Born September 18, 1913 in East Lampeter Township to Mary Ellen



McKelvey and Wayne L. Rohrer. She graduated from the former Sacred Heart Academy in Lancaster, and Cum Laude from Immaculata University where she was elected to Kappa Gamma Pi, national scholastic and activity honor society of Catholic women's colleges and was awarded the Anderson Gold Medal for proficiency in Mathematics. She then attended Penn State University for 1-1/2 years where she was enrolled in special classes in Dairy Husbandry.

She was associated with her parents and siblings in the Rohrer's Med-O' Farms Dairy business.

She was married to Paul Edward Erisman who died in 1979. She had 3 children: Daniel E. Erisman of Conestoga, Mary Regina wife of Geoffrey S. Gensemer of Lititz, and Margaret E. widow of Lee Steven Ferguson of Lititz; 6 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

She was a past president of the Holy Cross Alumnae of Sacred Heart Academy; a member of board of the Penna. Chapter/Lancaster Circle International Federation of Catholic Alumnae; and a past President of The Green Acres Garden Club.

She enjoyed reading, writing, flower-design, and traveling.

She was pre-deceased by a sister, Grace Rohrer Landis and a brother, Clement J. Rohrer.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Monday, May 5, 2008 at 11 a.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, 501 E. Orange St., Lancaster 17602 with the Rev. Daniel Mitzel as celebrant. Friends will be received before the service from 10-11 a.m. at the church. Interment will be at St. Anthony Catholic Cemetery.

Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home in charge of arrangements, 393-9661.

To send an online condolence

## Warming means less oxygen in oceans

WASHINGTON (AP) — Low-oxygen zones where sea life is threatened or cannot survive are growing as the oceans are heated by global warming, researchers warn.

Oxygen-depleted zones in the central and eastern equatorial Atlantic and equatorial Pacific oceans appear to have expanded over the last 50 years, researchers report in today's edition of the journal Science.

Low-oxygen zones in the Gulf of Mexico and other areas also have been studied in recent years, raising concerns about the threat to sea life.

Continued expansion of these zones could have dramatic consequences for both sea life and coastal economies, said the team led by Lothar Stramma of the University of Kiel in Germany.

The finding was not surprising, Stramma said, because computer climate models had predicted a decline in dissolved oxygen in the oceans under warmer conditions.

## 58 percent of black kids can't swim

NEW YORK (AP) — Nearly 60 percent of U.S. black children can't swim, almost twice the figure for white children, according to a first-of-its-kind survey which USA Swimming hopes will strengthen its efforts to lower minority drowning rates and draw more blacks into the sport.

Stark statistics underlie the initiative by the national governing body for swimming. Black children drown at a rate almost three times the overall rate. And less than 2 percent of USA Swimming's nearly 252,000 members who swim competitively year-round are black.

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## SERVICES TODAY

**Hughes, Eileen M. (Smith)**  
St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Church, 618 Fullerton Ave., Whitehall, Fri., 10:00 AM. Kohut Funeral Home, Inc.

**King, Barbara Ann**  
Summitview Christian Fellowship, 200 Summitville Rd., New Holland, Fri., 10:00 AM. Furman Home for Funerals

**Lefever, Lucille E.**  
Bachman Funeral Home, 7 S. Decatur Street, Strasburg, Friday 2:30PM.

**Nauerz, Dolores A.**  
Good Funeral Home & Cremation Centre, Reamstown, Friday, 7 PM.

**Oberholtzer, James Arthur**  
Chapel at Timothy A. Berkebile Funeral Home, Inc., 214 South Juliana St., Bedford, Fri., 11:00 AM.

ice at The United Church of Christ, East Goshen, 1201 N Chester Rd., West Chester, PA, on Sunday, May 4, 2008 at 1:30 PM with Reverend Angelee C Benner-Smith officiating. Interment will be in St. Paul's United Church of Christ Cemetery, Exton, PA. The family will receive friends at the church on Sunday from 12:30 PM until time of service. Fred F. Groff, Inc., Lancaster, PA, in charge of arrangements.

www.lifecelebration.com

### Benjamin S. Stoltzfus

Benjamin S. Stoltzfus, newborn infant son of Jacob & Lydia Stoltzfus Stoltzfus of 210 Black Barren Road, Peach Bottom, PA, was born and passed away at the Christiana Hospital of Delaware on Wednesday, April 30, 2008.

Surviving besides his parents are maternal grandparents: John & Barbara Stoltzfoos Stoltzfus of Peach Bottom, paternal grandparents: Benjamin & Beckie Fisher Stoltzfus of Delta, PA, maternal great grandparents: Joseph Stoltzfus of Rockville, IN, David & Sadie Stoltzfus Stoltzfoos of New Providence, paternal great grandparents: Henry & Mary Lapp Fisher of Willow Street, Henry & Mary Swarey Stoltzfus of Christiana. Burial took place in the Wakefield Amish Cemetery on Thursday morning. Arrangements by the Shivery Funeral Home, Christiana & Paradise.

### Marian V. Groff Wissler

Marian V. Groff Wissler, 89, of Landis Homes died Wednesday, April 30, 2008 at her residence. Born in Ardmore, Delaware County, she was the daughter of the late Noah and Esther Hoover Groff. She was the wife of the late Eugene Wissler.



She attended Goshen College and graduated from Lancaster General Hospital School of Nursing. She was a Registered Nurse and worked at Lancaster General Hospital, Philadelphia and Calvary Homes.

She is survived by four stepsons: Reid E. Wissler, husband of Peggy, J. Glenn Wissler, husband of Mildred, Harold B. Wissler, husband of Jean, Clyde B. Wissler, husband of Nancy; eleven step-grandchildren and 21 step-great-grandchildren; a brother, Amos Groff, husband of Ruth of Lititz; a sister, Esther, wife of David M. Weaver of Roaring Branch, PA; and ten nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held Monday, May 5, 2008 at West Bethany Chapel at Landis Homes, 1001 E. Oregon Road, Lititz, PA at 10:30 a.m.

Friends may call on Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at West Bethany Chapel. Memorial contributions may be made to Philhaven Behavioral Healthcare Services, 283 S. Butler Road, Mount Gretna, PA 17042 or to Landis Homes Caring Fund, 1001 E. Oregon Road, Lititz, PA 17543. Furman Home for Funerals, Leola.

### Daryl L. Rineer

12-12-72 - 5-1-04



In life we loved you dearly, in death we still do. In our hearts you hold a place, no other can fill. God gently took you to your home in Heaven.

Love, Mom, Dad, Duane, Donna, Denise and Daughter Morgan

### Lewis J. Abrams

Lewis J. Abrams, 73, of Mount Joy, died Wednesday April 30, 2008 of natural causes at his residence. Born in Washington D.C., he was the son of the late Leonard and Flora (Swartz) Abrams. He was the husband of Dona (Lambertus) Abrams. Lewis was an industrial engineer for McCormick Foods of Baltimore and also for the Warner-Lambert Company of Lititz. After retiring, he was the owner/operator of the former "Little Professor Book Center" of Lancaster. He was also a veteran of the U.S. Air Force Reserves, and a graduate of American University, class of 1960, in Washington D.C.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two daughters, Laura wife of David Garver of Coatesville, Sandra wife of Eric Jackson of York; two grandchildren, Benjamin Jacobson and Erin Jackson; and a sister, Jean wife of David Stern of Coral Gables, FL. He was preceded in death by a sister, Galeeta Abrams.

Funeral services will be private and at the convenience of the family. If desired, contributions in memory of Lewis may be sent to The Neuropathy Association, 60 East 42nd St., Suite 942, New York, NY 10165-0930. Heilig Funeral Home, Mount Joy is in charge of arrangements. For further information or to send the family a message of condolence you may visit our website at:

www.heiligfuneral.com

In Loving Memory of  
**Gene R. "Crash" Kutz, Jr.**  
Sept. 10, 1968 - May 2, 1999



Love lives longer than grief or pain. All other things pass But love will remain, A bond that nothing can sever Because love lasts forever.

We will miss you and love you always.  
Dad, Mom, Terri, Lonnie, & Friends

Orange St., Lancaster 17602 with the Rev. Daniel Mitzel as celebrant. Friends will be received before the service from 10-11 a.m. at the church. Interment will be at St. Anthony Catholic Cemetery.

Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home in charge of arrangements, 393-9661.

To send an online condolence or for more information please visit:

www.snyderfuneralhome.com

### Troy Michael Ludwig

Troy Michael Ludwig, 31, went to be with the Lord on April 30, 2008. Born in Lancaster, PA, Troy was the son of Richard O. and Mary L. (Kiscadden) Ludwig. He is also survived by brother, Corey Matthew Ludwig, and maternal grandmother, Florence Kiscadden. Troy enjoyed landscaping, gardening, and playing video games with his niece, Candice, and nephew, Carter. Troy was a marine aquarist who enjoyed tending his salt water aquarium. He will be deeply missed by family and friends, and also by his two cats, Felix, and J.J.

"The wisdom of God knows why, all others wonder why." (Richard Ludwig)

Private funeral services will be held at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, please send donations in Troy's memory to West Hempfield Township EMS, Fire, and Police Department for all the help and support that was given to us. Charles F. Snyder Jr. Funeral Home & Chapel, Inc., Lititz, PA in charge of arrangements. To send an online condolence, please visit:

www.snyderfuneralhome.com

**Deb D. (Good) Morris**  
Jan 2, 1957-May 2, 2004



Should you go first and I remain, one thing I'll have you do: Walk slowly down that long long path, for soon I'll follow you. I want to know each step you take, so I may take the same. For someday down that lonely road you'll hear me call your name.

**Stephan (TBear) and Curt & Pat Good Families**

into the sport. Stark statistics underlie the initiative by the national governing body for swimming. Black children drown at a rate almost three times the overall rate. And less than 2 percent of USA Swimming's nearly 252,000 members who swim competitively year-round are black.

The study found that 31 percent of the white respondents could not swim safely. The non-swimming rate for Hispanic children was almost as high as for blacks — 56 percent.

To alter the numbers, USA Swimming is working to expand learn-to-swim programs nationwide. A key participant is black freestyle star Cullen Jones, who hopes to boost his role-model status by winning a medal at the Beijing Olympics.

## F&M to host junior orchestra

Ellen Fager, conductor of Millersville University College-Community Orchestra, will direct a concert featuring the 95-member Lancaster County Junior Orchestra at 3 p.m. Sunday in Barshinger Performance Center on the campus of Franklin & Marshall College.

The concert, sponsored by Musical Art Society of Lancaster, is free but a free-will offering will be taken.

In Loving Memory Of  
**Brian K. Williams**  
Dec. 10, 1961 - May 3, 2007



It's been one year since you left. My heart split in two. If I could have a life time wish, I would pray to God with all my heart for yesterday and you, my son. A million tears, I know because I tried. Remembering you is easy, I do it every day. I hold you in my heart and there you will remain, but I'll never be the same. My heart is broken. I'll cherish your memories too, but all I want is you, my beloved son.

Love you with all my heart.  
Mother