DEATHS REPORTED

Davis, Mae Marie

17, daughter of William H. and Vicki Sourbeer Davis, of 341 Snyder Hollow Road, New Providence, March 13, 2008. Reynolds Funeral Home, 786-3272.

Gilbert, Rodney K.

72, husband of R. Eileen Baxter Gilbert, of Willow Street, March 13, 2008. Fred F. Groff, Inc., 397-8255.

Haroutounian, Albert A.* 36, of Honey Brook, March 10, 2008. The Labs Funeral Home, Inc., 610-273-3914.

Hufford, Jane Evelyn Wife of Kenneth L. Hufford. March 14, 2008. Stradling Funeral Homes, 733-2472.

Hurst, Paul R.

63, husband of Louetta (Weaver) Hurst, of Lancaster, March 13, 2008. Groff-High Funeral Home, 354-0444.

Koons, Virginia L. Stuck 79, of Hummelstown, March 13, 2008. Trefz & Bowser Funeral Home, Inc., 566-0451.

Lewis, Helen 71, March 12, 2008.

Martzall, Lester M. 70, of Pleasant View Retirement Community, Manheim, March 13, 2008. Roseboro

Miller, Donald George

Funeral Home, 336-6531.

74, husband of Dawn L. Beaner Miller, of Ephrata, March 14, 2008. Stradling Funeral Home, 733-2472.

Riexinger, Anna Mae

91, of East Petersburg, March 13, 2008. Fred F. Groff, Inc., 397-8255.

Roney, Jane L.

69, of Lancaster, March 12, 2008. Fred F. Groff Inc., 397-8255.

Tran, Thanh

77, husband of Bich Pham, of Lancaster, March 14, 2008. Kearney A. Snyder Funeral Home, 394-4097.

* No Obituary appears

OBITUARIES

Rodney K. Gilbert

Rodney K. Gilbert, age 72, of Willow Street, PA, passed away



on Thursday at his residence with his family by his side. Born in Lan-

caster, he was the son of the late Hugh and Sadie Keller Gilbert. He

and his wife, R. Eileen Baxter Gilbert, celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary last June

Rodney was a graduate of McCaskev High School.

He was the owner and operator of ARK Products.

He was a member of Memorial Methodist Church in Quarrvville where he formerly held the position of church trustee.

Rodney was a former manager of the West Willow United Methodist Church softball team and was instrumental in building the Garrett Park Softball Field in Willow Street.

He loved woodworking, enjoyed oil painting and spending time with his family.

Surviving in addition to his wife are a daughter, Wanda S., wife of Jerry McKonly, Lan-caster, a son, Allen D., husband of Connie Gilbert, Ashburn, VA. three granddaughters, Kristin, Nicole, Brittany Gilbert. He was preceded in death by a sis-

ter, Lois Lipincott. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Rodney's Life Celebration service at the Memorial Methodist Church, 101 S. Hess St., Quarryville, PA, on Monday, March 17, 2008 at 11:00 AM with the Rev. John Longmier officiating. Interment in Conestoga Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at the church on Monday from 10:00 AM until time of service. Please omit flowers. If desired, memorial contributions may be sent in Rodney's name to Memorial Methodist Church, 101 S. Hess St., Quarryville, PA 17566 or the American Cancer Society, 314 Good Dr., Lancaster, PA 17603-9983. Fred F. Groff, Inc.

www.lifecelebration.com

Jane Hufford

Jane Evelyn Hufford, passed from her temporary



home on earth to her eternal home in heaven on March 14, 2008. She was courageously battling pancreatic cancer for about fifteen

She was born in Akron, a daughter of Arlene E. Smith Sauder of Landis Homes and the late William H. Smith. She was married to Kenneth L. Hufford and would have celebrated 44 years on May 10.

She graduated from Ephrata High School Class of 1963 and was an active member of Grace E. C. Church in Akron, where she served in many capacities. Earlier in life, she was involved in cub scouts on the local and district level and also in girl

Jane loved to do crafts, crocheting, making baskets and gardening. Her family was the most important thing in her life and she enjoyed trips to the

She retired in 2006 from Susquehanna Bank in Ephrata and had previously worked in several stores in the Ephrata

Surviving besides her husband and mother are her children, Eric, married to Sharon (Stephen) Hufford of Hershev, Cynthia, married to Steve Raezer of Ephrata, and Krista, married to Brent Andes of Ephrata; grandchildren, Caleb, Erika, Allyson, Hannah, Jenna and Kamryn; a brother, William L., married to Elizabeth Smith of Manheim and a sister, Darlene E., married to Richard Hufford of Akron. She is also survived by a loving extended family, including three nieces and three nephews.

A viewing will be held from 6 to 8 PM, Monday evening, March 17th at the Grace E. C. Church, N. 7th St., Akron. Her funeral service will be held at 12 Noon on Tuesday, March 18, 2008, at the Grace E.C. Church, Akron, with Pastor David Swift and Pastor Stephen Holubec officiating. Private interment will be in the Pleasantview Cemetery, Sinking Spring,

Lester M. Martzall

Lester M. Martzall, 70, formerly of Hopeland, entered into



rest on Thursday, March 13, 2008 at Pleasant View Retirement Community, Manheim. Born in

Millbach. he was a son of the late Earl Emma (Eberly) Martzall. Lester's wife, Gertrude Anna Martzall, died October

He worked at Sensenig's Propeller Corp. for 37 years and was last employed by Noll's Poultry Farm. A member of Hopeland U.M. Church, Lester enjoyed tractors and tractor pulls.

Surviving is a son David S. (Kathy Lynn Knoble) Martzall, Manheim; 6 grandchildren, Jason, Amanda, Samantha, Jonathan, Kayleen and Lashonda Martzall; brothers Leon Martzall and Lew Martzall, both of Ephrata, and Lawrence Martzall, Denver; and sisters Lucille (Larry) Spangler and Linda (Robert) Williams, both of Ephrata, Lavern Klopp, Lititz, and Lois (David) Halligan, Akron. Lester was predeceased by brothers Larry and Lamar Martzall.

The Funeral Service will be on Tuesday at 10:00 AM, Viewing Monday 7-9 PM in the Roseboro Funeral Home, 533 Walnut St., Denver. Interment in Memory Gardens, Ephrata. Contributions in Lester's memory may be made to Pleasant View Retirement Community, 544 N. Penryn Rd., Manheim, PA 17545. www.roseborofuneralhome.com

Virginia L. Koons

Virginia L. Stuck Koons, 79, of Hummelstown, passed away Thursday, March 13, 2008, in Lancashire Hall, Lancaster.

Born in Hummelstown on June 5, 1928, she was the daughter of the late Charles and Minnie Speck Stuck.

Virginia retired from the former Polyclinic Hospital where respectfully invited to attend

Paul R. Hurst

Paul R. Hurst, 63, of Lancaster went to be with his Lord and



Savior on March 13 at Essa Flory Hospice Center surrounded by his family following a 3month battle with cancer. His wife, Lou-

etta (Weaver) Hurst survives. They would have celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in June.

Born in Denver, he was the son of the late Luke Auker and Sallye (Rhodes) Hurst.

Surviving in addition to his wife are his children: Chad husband of Coleen (Rohrer), Manheim; Tia wife of Mike Straub, Reinholds; and Troy husband of Trina (Minnich), Manheim; grandchildren Cody, Carter, Cyleigh, Camden, and Chase Hurst; Zachary Straub; and Paul, Jesse, and Hunter Hurst. He is also survived by a brother, Luke Hurst and five sisters: Eunice (Emmett) Lehman, Lois (Marvin) Weaver, Grace Byler, Mary Louise (James) Hostetter, and Sharon (Lowell) Stoltzfus.

A graduate of Eastern Mennonite University, he also attended Northeast University, Boston. He did alternative service in pulmonary research at Peter Brent Brigham Hospital in Boston, MA. He has been with Kingsway Realty for 35 vears, the last 10 of which he was the Broker of Record. He was a past-president of the Lancaster County Board of Realtors and served on many committees. He received the Outstanding Realtor of the Year Award and also the Elaine Vehovic Volunteer award. Paul was involved with the Ethiopian Outreach Ministry in York and was a Big Brother. As a member of the Forest

Hills Mennonite Church, he served on the church council and many other committees. He was a Sunday School teacher for over 20 years in the Junior Youth. He loved to travel, play tennis, ski, be with his grandchildren and hunt. He was also involved with quality deer management at his property in Potter County.

Friends and relatives are

Anna Mae Riexinger

Anna Mae Riexinger, 91, of East Petersburg, PA, died on



Thursday, March 2008. at Brethren Village.

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Born in Lancaster, PA, she was the wife of Charles Riexinger who

died in 2003. She and her husband had been married for 70 years prior to his death. She was the daughter of the late Harry and Anna Kuhn Irvin.

Anna was a homemaker and a member of Holy Spirit Lutheran Church. She loved to sing; cook; and was totally devoted to her family.

She is survived by her two children; Charles Michael, husband of Doris Riexinger, Lancaster, PA and Shirley Ann wife of Ronald Nelson, Lititz, PA. She is also survived by 8 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; 3 great great-grandchildren; a brother, Earl Irvin, Willow Street, PA; and two sisters, Pauline, wife of William Aukamp, Quarryville, PA, and Josephine Geiter, Lancaster,

Relatives and friends are invited to attend Anna's Life Celebration Funeral Service from the Funeral Home of Fred F. Groff, Inc., 234 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA on Monday, March 17, 2008 at 10:00 AM with The Rev. Julia Hart officiating. Interment at Millersville Mennonite Cemetery. Friends may call at the Funeral Home on Monday from 9:00 AM until time of service. Memorial contributions in Anna's memory may be sent to Hospice of Lancaster County, 685 Good Drive, P.O. Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604-4125. Fred F. Groff, Inc.

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Jane L. Roney

Jane L. Roney, 69, of Lancaster, passed away on Wednes-



day morning at the Lancaster General Hospital. Born in Pittsburgh, PA, she was the daughter of the late Marshall



Iran, Thanh 77, husband of Bich Pham, of Lancaster, March 14, 2008. Kearney A. Snyder Funeral Home, 394-4097.

* No Obituary appears

continuous may be sent n Rodnev's name to Memorial Methodist Church, 101 S. Hess St., Quarryville, PA 17566 or the American Cancer Society, 314 Good Dr., Lancaster, PA 17603-9983. Fred F. Groff, Inc.

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SERVICES TODAY **OR TOMORROW**

Berger, Nathaniel H. Muddy Creek Lutheran

Church, 11 South Muddy Creek Rd., Denver, Sat., 11:00 AM. Good Funeral Home & Cremation Centre

Connor, Lawrence H.

St. Philip the Apostle Church, 2111 Millersville Pike, Lancaster, Sat., 11:00 AM.

Davis, Mary Moore

Beaver Memorial United Methodist Church, 42 South 3rd Street, Lewisburg, Sat., 11:00 AM. Spence Funeral Services

Davis, Ralph A. Sr.

Orr Auditorium at Willow Valley Manor, Sat., 2:00 PM.

Duncan, Pearl

Lancaster Museum of Art, 135 North Lime St., Lancaster, Sun., 5:30 PM. Fred F. Groff, Inc.

Dunlap, Benjamin C.

Eckenroth Home for Funerals, 209 East Main St., Terre Hill, Sat., 2:00 PM.

Funk, Richard Clarence

Presbyterian Donegal 1891 Donegal Church, Springs Rd., Mt. Joy, Sat., 11:00 AM. Hetrick Cremation Services of Central Pennsylvania

Glatfelter, Donald G. Sr.

Glatfelter Residence, 154 Cooks Landing, Peach Bottom, Sat., 2:00 PM. Reynolds Funeral Home

Henry, Naomi I.

Funeral Coldren-Crates Home, 205 W. Sandusky St., Findlay, OH, Sat., 11:00 AM.

Hufford, Jane Evelyn

Grace E. C. Church, N. 7th St., Akron, Tuesday, 12 Noon. Stradling Funeral Homes.

Loshbough, John C.

Community Evangelical Free Church, Monroe, NC, Saturday, 10:30 AM. Kearney A. Snyder Funeral Home.

McCrery, Olivia Nicole

St. Joseph Catholic Church, 440 St. Joseph St., Lancaster. Sat., 1:00pm. Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home.

McDermott, Anna Sabatine St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, 501 East Orange St., Lancaster, Sat.,

10:00 AM. Charles F. Snyder

Funeral Home Mitchell, Lloyd A. B. Sr.

Sheetz Funeral Home, Inc., 16 East Main St., Mount Joy, Sat., 1:00 PM.

Querry, Florence D.

Eagle Commons, in the Eagle Wing, at Woodcrest Villa, 2001 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster, Saturday, 2 PM. Charles F. Snyder Jr. Funeral Home & Chapel.

Ranck, Lester L., Sr.

Wilde Funeral Home, 434 Main St., Parkesburg, Saturday, 11 AM.

Ruoss, Lloyd R., Sr.

California Evangelical Congregational Church, 350 California Road, Morgantown, Saturday, 4 PM. Groff-High Funeral Home.

Schmid, Robert L.

First United Methodist Church, 121 North George St., Millersville, Saturday, 2 PM. David J. Boyko Funeral Home.

Shoff, Joseph A. Sr.

Silver Spring Baptist Church, 4001 Marietta Ave., Columbia, Sat., 11:00 AM. Kraft-Workman Funeral Homes, Inc.

Smith, Clair L.

Clearfield United Methodist Church, 1238 Rawlinsville Rd., New Providence. Sat., 2:00pm. Gundel Funeral Home.

Stauffer, Nancy J.

Miller/Sekely Funeral Services, 130 North Market Street, Elizabethtown, Sun., 3:00 PM.

Tearney, Damian A.

St. Joseph Catholic Church, 440 St. Joseph Street, Lancaster, Sat., 10:00 AM. Andrew T. Scheid Funeral Home

Tran, Thanh

Kearney A. Snyder Funeral Home, 141 E. Orange St., Saturday, 6 PM.

A viewing will be held from 6 to 8 PM, Monday evening, March 17th at the Grace E. C. Church, N. 7th St., Akron. Her funeral service will be held at 12 Noon on Tuesday, March 18, 2008, at the Grace E.C. Church, Akron, with Pastor David Swift and Pastor Stephen Holubec officiating. Private interment will be in the Pleasantview Cemetery, Sinking Spring.

The family requests memorial contributions in Jane's memory be sent to The Akron Grace E. C. Church Imagine Fund, P. O. Box 235, Akron, PA 17501 or American Cancer Society Relay for Life In Memory of Jane Hufford, 314 Good Drive, Lancaster, PA 17603. Arrangements by Stradling Funeral Homes, Akron/Ephrata. For additional information or to send a condolence to the family, visit www.stradlingfuneralhome.com

Helen Lewis

Helen Lewis, 71, wife of the late Liston Lewis, passed away on March 12,

Helen



survived by children Ray E. Lewis Levern Lewis. She was predeceased by one son,

Harvey Lewis. Also surving are eight siblings, John Paul Williams, Herman Williams, Irene Stevens, Maime Williams, Coleen Williams, Williams and Eva Carmichael; 4 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

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Virginia L. Koons

Virginia L. Stuck Koons, 79, of Hummelstown, passed away Thursday, March 13, 2008, in Lancashire Hall, Lancaster.

Born in Hummelstown on June 5, 1928, she was the daughter of the late Charles and Minnie Speck Stuck.

Virginia retired from the former Polyclinic Hospital where she was a nurse. She graduated from the former Hummelstown High School. Virginia was a member of Mountain View Bible Church, Hummelstown.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George W. Koons, on July 17, 1994.

Virginia is survived by one son, George W. Koons, Jr. husband of Nikki of Cleona; one daughter, Diane E. Blankenship wife of Donald L. of Virginia Beach, VA; one sister, Mary Keefer wife of Clay of Hummelstown; one brother, Clarence Stuck of Manheim; and five grandchildren, George W. Koons, III, Desiree Koons, Daniel Blankenship, Danielle Blankenship and Alexander Blankenship.

Funeral services will be held Monday, March 17, 2008, at 11 AM in the Mountain View Bible Church, 34 Sipe Avenue, Hummelstown, with The Rev. Dr. Norman C. Marks, her pastor, officiating. Interment will be in Woodlawn Memorial Park, Lower Paxton Township. Friends and relatives are invited to call for a viewing at the church Monday from 10 AM until time of the services.

Trefz & Bowser Funeral Home, Inc., 114 West Main Street, Hummelstown, is handling the arrangements.

Those desiring may send memorial contributions may be made to Mountain View Bible Church, 34 Sipe Avenue, Hummelstown, PA 17036.

www.trefzandbowser.com

served on the church council and many other committees. He was a Sunday School teacher for over 20 years in the Junior Youth. He loved to travel, play tennis, ski, be with his grandchildren and hunt. He was also involved with quality deer management at his property in Potter County.

Friends and relatives are respectfully invited to attend his memorial service on Wednesday, March 19 at 10:30 AM at the Forest Hills Mennonite Church, 100 Quarry Rd. Leola, PA 17540 with Pastor Calvin Yoder officiating. Interment will be at 9 AM in the Eby (Monterey) Cemetery. Viewings will be held on Tuesday from 2 to 4 PM and 6 to 8 PM at the church. If desired, memorial contributions may be sent to the church, address above. The Groff-High Funeral Home, New Holland is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be submitted at our website,

Thanh Tran

Thanh Tran, 77, of Lancaster, PA died Friday, March 14th at the Lancaster Regional Medical Center. Born in Vietnam, he is the husband of Bich Pham. Relatives and friends are

invited to attend a service at the Kearney A. Snyder Funcral Home, 141 E. Orange St., Lancaster, PA on Saturday, March 15th at 6:00 p.m. Friends may call at the funeral home on Saturday from 7:00-9:00 p.m. and on Sunday, March 16th from 11 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The family requests no donations. Arrangements by the Kearney A. Snyder Funeral Home, 394-4097. For further information, or to send an on-line condolence, please visit our website at www.kearneyasnyderfuneralhome.com

great grandchildren. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend www.groffeckenroth.com her Life Celebration Memorial

Service from Fred F. Groff Inc. on Thursday, Mar. 20, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. The family will receive friends at Groff's on Thursday from 6:00 P.M. until the time of service.

Jane L. Koney

Jane L. Roney, 69, of Lan-

and

A business degree graduate

at Penn State, she worked at the

PA State Unemployment office

for 25 years as a claims exam-

iner. Jane enjoyed crocheting,

knitting, sitting on the beach,

and especially her cats and

She is survived by her chil-

dren; Kathy Jane Vitale of

Alabama, Marshall husband of

Shelley Vitale of Mountville and

Christopher Vitale of Lancaster,

three grandchildren and two

day morning at

the Lancaster

General Hospi-

tal. Born in

Pittsburgh, PA,

she was the

daughter of the

late Marshall

Ackerman

Helen

caster, passed away on Wednes-

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OTHER OBITUARIES ON PAGE B4



Jan. 23, 1950 - March 15, 2003 5 Years Ago Today



Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free. I'm following the path God has laid you see. Ltook His hand when I heard him call. I turned my back and left it all.

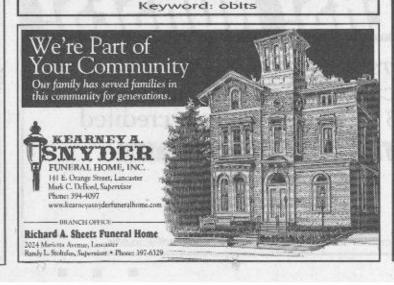
I could not stay another day to laugh, to love, to work, to play. Tasks left undone must stay that way. I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss. Oh yes, these

Be not burdened with times of sorrow. I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief. Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your hearts and peace to thee. God wanted me now: He set me free.

Your Loving Family, Fred, Scott & Alan



Offer your condolences and sign the guest book at

LancasterOnline.com.

OBITUARIES

Mae Marie Davis

Mae Marie Davis, age 17, of 341 Snyder Hollow Road, New



Providence, PA went home to be with her Lord and Sav-Jesus Christ on March 13, 2008. Born on June 26, 1990, she was the

daughter of William H. and Vicki Sourbeer Davis with whom she resided.

Mae was a member of Bethesda Christian Fellowship where she participated with the dance team, assisted with the youth and organized church dinners. Mae loved volleyball, swimming, and baseball. Mae worked at Musser's Market at the Buck and Outdoor World.

Surviving beside her parents are two sisters, Ashley and Rebecca both a home; four brothers, Derek of Lancaster, William of Quarryville, Michael and Chet, both of New Providence; maternal grandmother Mae Sourbeer of New Providence; and paternal grandparents John and Louise Davis of Ouarryville.

Funeral services will be held from Mechanic Grove Church of the Brethren, 1392 Robert Fulton Highway, Quarryville, PA on Tuesday, March 18th at 12:00 Noon with Pastors William Graver, William H. Morann and John Monk officiating. Interment will follow in Conestoga Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at the church on Tuesday from 10:00-11:00AM. Kindly omit flowers. Contributions may be made in Mae's memory to a charity of one's choice. To send a note of condolence, please visit our website at www.reynoldsfuneralhome.net

Donald G. Miller

Donald George Miller, 74, of Ephrata, entered into rest at



Hospice Lancaster County, on Friday, March 14, 2008. hus-The

band of Dawn



Robert A. E. Jr. and Mary S. Beamsderfer Miller. Donald was

a 1951 graduate of JP McCaskey High School. After gradu-

ation he joined the United States Marine Corp and achieved the rank of SGT. He served 15 months in Korea during 1952 and 1953 with the 1st Marine Division. He is a lifetime member of VFW Post 1463, Lititz.

During the 60's Don was employed by Lockheed Aircraft in Burbank, California. During his employment he was involved with the experimental and flight engineering for the SR-71 Blackbird. Upon returning to Lancaster County from California, he gained employment with Warner Lambert Company. He was originally employed as a journey machinist and later as a supervisor. He officially retired at the age of

Throughout his life Don enjoyed sharing his knowledge of the outdoors. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, leaving endless tales and adventures for his children and grandchil-

dren to pass along. There are many fond memories of his home cooked meals, including his favorite "groundhog and carp," which was his version of surf and turf.

In addition to his wife, Donald is survived by his five children, Debra L., wife of Charles Hollinger, East Petersburg, Bruce R., husband of Mary Bolich, Lancaster, Marc C., husband of Annemarie Bolich, Leola, Susan L., wife of Joel Marks, Lititz, and Tammany M., wife of Kevin Hoover, Ephrata. Donald is also survived by 17 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren.

Donald is the brother of Robert A. E. Miller III, husband of Vera, Lancaster, Kenneth C. Miller, husband of Anna, Lancaster, Patsy, widow of the late Edwin Leed, Lititz, and Karen Heinley, Lancaster.

There will be no viewing, however, the family will receive friends on Monday evening, March 17th from 6 to 7 PM at the Stradling Funeral Home, 201 Church Ave., Ephrata, followed by a life celebration service at 7 PM. Interment will be in the Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, E. Hanover Twp., at the convenience of the family.

The family requests memorial contributions in Donald's memory be sent to Hospice of Lancaster County, P. O. Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604-4125.

The family would like to thank the Blue Team of Hospice for their care and support of our family with special thanks to Dorinda, Sarah and Glenn. Arrangements by Stradling Funcral Homes, Akron/Ephrata. For additional information or to send a condolence to the family, visit www.stradlingfuneralhome.com

Beam me up, Realtor



This "flying saucer" house on Signal Mountain in Chattanooga, Tenn., goes on auction today. The buyer needs a fascination for outer space, tolerance for gawkers and at

least \$100,000. Built in 1970, the circular house has multiple levels, three bedrooms, two bathrooms and an entrance staircase that retracts with the push of a button.

Evidence on effectiveness of D.C. gun ban unclear

BY STEPHEN MANNING Associated Press

WASHINGTON — On Sept. 24, 1976, one of the toughest gun laws in the nation took effect in the District of Columbia, essentially outlawing the private ownership of new handguns in a city struggling with violence.

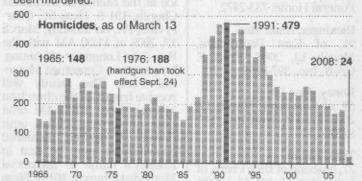
Since the ban was passed, more than 8,400 people have been murdered in the district, many killed by handguns. Nearly 80 percent of the 181 murders in 2007 were committed with guns.

On Tuesday, the Supreme Court is scheduled to hear arguments in a challenge to the city's handgun ban. The case is likely to produce the most important firearms ruling in generations and could undermine other gun control laws nationwide if the court takes an expansive view of the right to bear arms.

The central question is

Murders continue despite gun ban

On March 18, the Supreme Court will review a challenge to the district's handgun ban. Since 1976, more than 8,400 people have been murdered.



SOURCE: Metropolitan Police Department

kept many guns off the street and warn that violence could increase without it. Firearms still flow in from states like Maryland and Virginia, but District of Columbia officials say the ban reduces the number of le-

her former Capitol Hill home by a drug dealer who once tried to break down her door. Parker was a plaintiff in the original case against the city.

The city's gun ban emerged from exasperation. Still reelgally owned firearms that are ing from the riots of 1968, the

Gas in Maui hitting \$4 per gallon

WAILUKU, Hawaii (AP) AAA's Daily Fuel Gauge Re-- As the price of oil climbs above \$110 a barrel, most Americans dread the day they will have to pay \$4 a gallon for gas. On the tropical island of Maui and a few stations in

port. At several stations, it was a penny shy of \$4. In the remote coastal town of Hana, it was around \$4.40 a gallon.

"Outrageous." Complete- of gas expenses using Excel outrageous," said Janet spreadsheets on his computer.

Other than AAA, perhaps no one on Maui tracks local gas prices better than Deok Lee, owner of Airport Taxi. He maintains a detailed record Complete- of gas expenses using Excel