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DEATHS REPORTED

Bradshaw, Gertrude H.
86, wife of Benjamin G. Bradshaw of Elizabeth Drive, Lancaster. April 15, 2008. Boyko Funeral Home, 610-965-3229.

Brubaker, Verna H.
65, wife of Isaac Brubaker, of Colby, WI, April 15, 2008. Maurina-Schilling Funeral Home, 715-223-3872.

Eckenroth, Janet L. (Long)
66, wife of James A. Eckenroth, of Lancaster, April 15, 2008. Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home and Chapel Inc., 560-5100.

Heagy, Jane H.
77, of Millersville, April 16, 2008. Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home, 872-5041.

Herr, Elizabeth Watson
83, of Brethren Village, April 16, 2008. Bachman Funeral Home, 687-7644.

Hess, Thomas
43, husband of Cyndi M. Hager-Hess, of Mountville. April 16, 2008. Kraft-Workman Funeral Homes, Inc. 285-4513

Jackson, Anne L.
51, wife of Bruce Jackson, of Lancaster, April 16, 2008. Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home Inc., 393-9661.

Kirchoff, Jack H.
84, husband of Josephine M. "Polly" Graham Kirchoff, of 1284 Graystone Road, Manheim, April 16, 2008. Buch Funeral Home, 665-4341.

Mecardo, Rafael Plaza
55, Maria Del Carmen Rivera, of Lancaster, April 16, 2008. Andrew T. Scheid Funeral Home, 872-2266.

Minnich, G. Gordon
78, husband of Marian K. Heagy Minnich, of 526 Bean Blossom Dr., April 17, 2008. Fred F. Groff, Inc., 397-8255.

Reynolds, James R.
64, husband of Cheri C. Reynolds, of Landisville, April 16, 2008. Andrew T. Scheid Funeral Home, 872-2266.

Spangler, Betty L.
77, of Manor Care, Lebanon. April 17, 2008. Lamm & Witman Funeral Home, Inc. 610-678-3461

Urban, Charles H., Jr.
82, of Lancaster, April 14, 2008. Auer Memorial Home and Cremation Services.

David Allon Wiley Ultralight Pilot

David A. Wiley, 75, entered into rest on Thursday morning, April 17, 2008 at his home surrounded by his family.



Born in Lancaster, he was the son of the late Raymond H. and Myrtle Notestine Wiley. David was the husband of Janice E. Gilbert Wiley with whom he celebrated 49 years of marriage with in September.

Retiring after 22 years, David was a mechanic for Alumax Co. in Lancaster and also drove truck for Earl Kreider of Quarryville. He served his country in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict as a jet engine mechanic.

David was a member of the Southern Lancaster County Sportsman; he attended Memorial United Methodist Church in Quarryville and also enjoyed hunting and fishing, but David's real passion was for 22 years building and flying his ultralight aircraft. He enjoyed flying over various areas and photographing the landscape.

Surviving besides his wife Janice are daughters; Susan E., wife of Stephen Murphy of Drumore, Kathy L., wife of Jesse R. Eshleman of New Providence, Karen L., wife of David Drevyanko of Honey Brook and a son Bruce A., husband of Paula Sierra Wiley of Pequea. David has 11 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren. A brother, R. Eugene Wiley and a sister Suzanne Draude preceded David in death.

Funeral Services will be on Monday, April 21, 2008 from Memorial U. Methodist Church, 109 S. Hess St. in Quarryville beginning at 11:00 a.m. A Viewing will be held on Sunday evening at the church from 6:00 until 8:00 and also 1 hour prior to the funeral on Monday. Interment will be in the Clearfield Methodist Cemetery; Lancaster Red Rose Honor Guard will present military honors. Please omit flowers; contributions may be made to Hospice of Lancaster Co., PO Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604 or Memorial

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Janet L. Eckenroth

Janet L. (Long) Eckenroth, 66, of Lancaster, passed away at Lancaster Regional Medical Center on Tuesday April 15, 2008. Born in Greensburg PA, she was the daughter of the late Lester O. and Ruth



(Wengert) Long. Janet was married to James A. Eckenroth on February 19, 1966.

Mrs. Eckenroth was a Graduate of Clarion University and taught school at Greensburg Salem Jr. High and was a substitute teacher at various schools in the Lancaster area. She was President of the Manheim Twp. Women's Club, leader for the Penn Laurel Girl Scout Council and taught CCD for St. John Neumann Church. Janet enjoyed doing crossword puzzles, reading cook books, collecting owls and visiting her grandsons.

Surviving is her husband, Jim, and two daughters, Donna Jeanne Eckenroth of Lancaster and Mary Chris married to Chad D. Enck of Manheim, three grandchildren, Dillan, Nathan, and Caleb Enck. Janet was preceded in death by an infant daughter Anna Elizabeth Eckenroth.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, April 19, 2008 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 601 E. Delp Rd., Lancaster, 17601 at 10 AM. There will be a viewing from 9AM until the time of the service. Interment in Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Lebanon. Memorial contributions may be made in Janet's memory to St. John Neumann Church, 601 East Delp Road, Lancaster 17601. Arrangements by the Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home and Chapel Inc., Lititz PA, 717-560-5100. To send an online condolence, please visit www.snyderfuneralhome.com

G. Gordon Minnich

G. Gordon Minnich, age 78, of 526 Bean Blossom Dr., Lancaster, PA, passed away

Jack H. Kirchoff

Jack H. Kirchoff, 84, of 1284 Graystone Road Manheim died peacefully surrounded by his family on Wednesday, April 16, 2008 at the Lancaster General Hospital.



Born in Lancaster, he was the son of the late Frank and Lida Forwood Kirchoff. For thirty-two years Jack worked as a supervisor for Bell Telephone Company in Central Pennsylvania he also served as President of the Bell Telephone Pioneers. Jack and his wife were the owners and operators of the former Greg's II Restaurant located at Roots Country Market Manheim.

He was a U.S. Navy Veteran serving during WWII and Korean Conflict. Jack was the husband of Josephine M. "Polly" Graham Kirchoff and they observed their 58th wedding anniversary in February of this year. He was a faithful and active member for over fifty years at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church East Petersburg where he served as President of Church Council, Sunday School Superintendent, and Sunday School Teacher.

Other membership's includes the Manheim Masonic Lodge # 587 and the Lancaster V.F.W. He was a 1941 graduate of Manheim Township High School. His interests are traveling, dancing to big band music and camping.

Surviving in addition to his wife is a daughter, Kimberly A. Kirchoff, a son, Gregory M. husband of Silvana Zinna Kirchoff, and son-in-law, David Ekimoff all of Rochester, N.Y. four grandchildren, Silvester Kirchoff, Gregory, Christopher, and Bethany Ekimoff, and two sisters, Helen Fultz of Lancaster, and Ethel Miller of Barnesboro. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Pamela Ekimoff, a grandson, Daniel Ekimoff, two brothers, Ken and Frank Kirchoff and two sisters, Daisy Spangler and Ruthy Brooks.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral service from the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1284 Graystone Road, Manheim, PA 17345, on Friday, April 18, 2008 at 11:00 AM. Burial will be in the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Cemetery, 1284 Graystone Road, Manheim, PA 17345. Visitation will be from 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm at the home of the deceased.

Betty Herr

Elizabeth "Betty" Watson Herr, 83, formerly of East Petersburg, died April 16, at Brethren Village, Lancaster, PA. Her husband, Robert Watson, preceded her in 1988.



Betty was born to the late Guy and Esther Mentzer in Gap, PA.

She is survived by three daughters, Cynthia M. Watson of Lancaster, Linda H., wife of Charles Rosini of Ephrata, PA and Kathleen J., wife of Larry Frey of Lancaster, PA, one grandson, two great-grandchildren, two-step grandsons and three step-great grandchildren.

She was an active member of Bethany Presbyterian Church, a secretary at the former Hamilton Watch Co. and worked for Richard Heagy Co. Betty also drove for the Meals on Wheels. She enjoyed playing bridge and traveling.

Her second husband, Glenn Herr, died in 2003. He was survived by three sons, Ted Herr, Tad Herr and Todd Herr their wives and four grandchildren.

Betty is also survived by two sisters, Marie, wife of Luther Gehman of Lititz, PA and Janet, wife of David Hughes of Phoenix, AZ.

MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held at Brethren Village Chapel, 3001 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA, on Friday, April 18, TODAY, at 6:30 PM, with Chaplain Mark Tedford officiating. Private burial will be held at the convenience of the family. Bachman Funeral Home, Strasburg, PA.

www.bachmanfuneral.com

Verna H. Brubaker

Verna H. Brubaker, 65, of Colby, WI, died Tuesday April 15 at her home. Burial will be at 9:30 AM Monday, April 21st at Marathon Mennonite Church Cemetery in the town of Frankfort, WI, funeral to follow. Visitation will be from 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm at the home of the deceased.

Verna was born July 14, 1942 in Lancaster County, PA to Henry and Emma Martin. She

Anne L. Jackson

Anne L. Jackson passed peacefully from this life on April 16, 2008 after a 14 year battle with breast cancer. Family and friends were at her side throughout her final days.



Born June 12, 1956, she was the daughter of the late Katherine and Stanley Deiter, Sr. She was married to Bruce Jackson of Lancaster for 12 years.

She is survived by a daughter, Kristi Connelly of Lancaster, and a son, Shannon Connelly and daughter-in-law Erin (Wiley) Connelly of York. In addition to her children, Anne is survived by her first granddaughter, Talia Connelly of York, and two brothers, Stanley Deiter of Ephrata and Ronald Deiter of Lancaster.

A 1974 graduate of Penn Manor High School, Anne worked for Bank of Lancaster County in the Human Resources Department for 25 years. Later she was the office manager for Jackson's Window Shoppe, and most recently worked for Town and Country Leasing.

Anne was a loving and supportive mother and grandmother. Despite her battle with cancer she was a strong and compassionate individual who lived life to the fullest.

She enjoyed boating on the Chesapeake Bay and ski trips with her family and friends. She also vacationed at the beach during the summer, where she liked shopping, and reading with her feet in the sand. Anne was a proud participant of the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

Friends and relatives are respectfully invited to attend the funeral service on Tuesday, April 22, 2008 at 1 PM at the Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home Inc., 414 E. King St., Lancaster, PA 17602. A calling time will be held from 11:30 AM until 1 PM at the funeral home to pay respects to the family. A private burial will be held following the service. In lieu of flowers, donations to the American Cancer Society, 314 Good Drive, Lan-

Spangler, Betty L.
77, of Manor Care, Lebanon.
April 17, 2008. Lamm & Witman Funeral Home, Inc. 610-678-3461

Urban, Charles H., Jr.
82, of Lancaster, April 14, 2008. Auer Memorial Home and Cremation Services, Inc., 800-720-8221.

Wenger, Lydia M.
98, of Landis Homes, Lititz, April 17, 2008. Richard H. Heisey Funeral Home, 626-2464.

Wiley, David A.
75, husband of Janice E. Gilbert, April 17, 2008. Dewald Funeral & Cremation Services, 786-3530.

Zerbe, Bernice L.
74, wife of Richard L. Zerbe, of Harrisburg, April 15, 2008. Hoover Funeral Home, 533-7700.

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until 8:00 and an hour prior to the funeral on Monday. Interment will be in the Clearfield Methodist Cemetery, Lancaster Red Rose Honor Guard will present military honors. Please omit flowers; contributions may be made to Hospice of Lancaster Co., PO Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604 or Memorial United Methodist Church. Joel Reynolds from Dewald Funeral & Cremation Services in Quarryville is assisting the family.

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SERVICES TODAY

Bard, Belva M.
Funeral Home of Fred F. Groff, Inc., 234 West Orange St., Lancaster, Fri., 11:30 AM.

Bigler, George H.
St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Sixth and Locust Sts., Columbia, Fri., 11:00 AM. Clyde W. Kraft Funeral Home, Inc.

Bradshaw, Gertrude H.
Calvary Homes Fellowship Hall, Elizabeth Drive, Lancaster. Friday PM. Boyko Funeral Home.

Elliott, Charles G.
Trinity Lutheran Church, 31 South Duke St., Lancaster, Fri., 2:00 PM. Kearney A. Snyder Funeral Home

Esmurria, Jenny
San Juan Bautista Catholic Church, 425 South Duke St., Lancaster, Fri., 10:00 AM. Andrew T. Scheid Funeral Home

Findley, Judith A.
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 90 S. Charlotte St., Manheim. Fri., 10:30am. Buch Funeral Home.

Fuller, Alberta
Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home, 414 East King St., Lancaster, Fri., 10:30 AM.

Greiner, E. Lorraine
Richard H. Heisey Funeral Home, 216 South Broad St., Lititz, Fri., 11:00 AM.

Herr, Elizabeth Watson
Brethren Village Chapel, 3001 Lititz Pike, Friday, 6:30 PM. Bachman Funeral Home.

Lehman, Joseph A.
St. Joseph Catholic Church, Lancaster, Fri., 10:00 AM.

Long, Dunn G.
Andrew T. Scheid Funeral Home, 320 Blue Rock Road, Route 999, Millersville, Fri., 2:00 PM.

Martin, Edwin M.
Fairmount Mennonite Church, Quarryville, Fri., 1:30 PM. Groff-High Funeral Home

McComsey, Judith E.
Reynolds Funeral Home, 144 East State Street, Quarryville, Fri., 12:00 Noon.

Seltzer, Miriam F.
Wilde Funeral Home, 434 Main St., Parkesburg, Friday, 11AM.

Urban, Charles H., Jr.
Highland Presbyterian Church, 1801 Oregon Pike, Friday, 3:30 PM. Auer Memorial Home and Cremation Services, Inc.

Woody, Marlene M.
The Worship Center, 2384 New Holland Pike, Lancaster, Fri., 10:00 AM. Sheetz Funeral Home, Inc.

Zeiset, Martin W.
Churchtown Mennonite Church, Churchtown, Fri., 9:30 AM. Groff-High Funeral Home

www.snyderfuneralhome.com

G. Gordon Minnich

G. Gordon Minnich, age 78, of 526 Bean Blossom Dr., Lancaster, PA, passed away on Thursday at the Essa Flory Center of Hospice of Lancaster County.



Born in Lititz, he was the son of the late Abram W. Minnich and Edna M. Martin Minnich Heltzle. He is survived by his wife, Marian K. (Heagy) Minnich.

Gordon was a 1948 graduate of McCaskey High School.

He retired in 1991 from the former Hamilton Watch Company, where he was employed for forty-three years.

Gordon was a member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and the NAWCC (National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors) Chapter 1-Philadelphia, Chapter 7-Columbia, Chapter 158-Mechanicsburg. He was a volunteer and member of the National Clock Museum, Columbia, its library and research center and School of Horology.

He belonged to the American Watch and Clockmakers Institute, Central Guild.

Gordon was a Hamilton pocket watch collector.

A member of Lambert Lodge 476 F&AM, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Harrisburg and the James Buchanan High Twelve Club No. 687.

Surviving in addition to his wife Marian is a son, Robert G. Minnich, Lancaster; a half-sister, Christine Brown, Lake Barrington, IL and a step sister, Phyllis H., wife of John Aardrup, Aurora, CO.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Gordon's Life Celebration service from the Funeral Home of Fred F. Groff, Inc., 234 W. Orange St., Lancaster, PA, on Tuesday, April 22, 2008 at 2:00 PM with Rev. Kathryn L. Warn officiating. Interment in Conestoga Memorial Park. Friends may call at Groff's on Tuesday from 1:00 PM until time of service. Please omit flowers. If desired, memorial contributions may be sent to Hospice of Lancaster County, 685 Good Dr., P.O. Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604-4125 or Holy Trinity Church, 31 S. Duke St., Lancaster, PA 17602.

www.lifecelebration.com

by a daughter, Pamela Ekimoff, a grandson, Daniel Ekimoff, two brothers, Ken and Frank Kirchoff and two sisters, Daisy Spangler and Ruthy Brooks.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral service from the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Corner of Broad and Lemon Streets, East Petersburg, PA on Saturday, April 19, 2008 at 11:00 AM with Pastor John M. Smaligo and Pastor Mary-Margaret Ruth officiating. Interment in the adjoining church cemetery. There will be a public viewing at the Buch Funeral Home, 21 Market Square, Manheim on Friday, April 18, 2008 (today) from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM with additional viewing at the church on Saturday morning from 9:30 AM until the time of the service. Please omit flowers. Those desiring may send contributions in Jack's memory to the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church Memorial Fund, 1905 Broad Street, East Petersburg, PA 17520 or the American Heart Association, 610 Community Way, Lancaster, PA 17603. The Buch Funeral Home, Manheim in charge of arrangements. For further information or to send the family a message of condolence you may visit our website at

www.buchfuneral.com

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Marathon Mennonite Church Cemetery in the town of Frankfort, WI, funeral to follow. Visitation will be from 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm at the home of the deceased.

Verna was born July 14, 1942 in Lancaster County, PA to Henry and Emma Martin. She married Isaac Brubaker on Sept. 28, 1963.

She was preceded in death by her father Henry, brother-in-law Richard and granddaughter Glenda. She is survived by her mother, Emma, her brothers Marvin (Esther) Martin of Rose Center, NY, Alvin (Edna) Martin, Riestville, PA, Lawrence (Vera) Martin, Lebanon, Leroy (Emma) Martin, Denver and sisters Laura (Martin) Groff, Ephrata, Naomi (Peter) Shirk, Denver, Edith (Aaron) Zimmerman, Waterloo, NY, Louella (Isaac) Wenger, New Bloomfield, Mary Ann (Luke) Horning, Newmanstown, Alma (Titus) Martin, Bowmansville, Sarah (Vernon) Good, East Earl, children David (Edwina) Brubaker, Unity, WI, Ivan (Mary) Brubaker, Shippensburg, Rosanna (Marvin) Martin, Colby, WI, Larry (Marian) Brubaker, Colby, WI, Henry (Esther) Brubaker, Edgar, WI, Harvey (Anna Mary) Brubaker, Glenn (Lorraine) Brubaker, Athens, WI and 45 grandchildren.

Home Inc., 414 E. King St., Lancaster, PA 17602. A calling time will be held from 11:30 AM until 1 PM at the funeral home to pay respects to the family. A private burial will be held following the service. In lieu of flowers, donations to the American Cancer Society, 314 Good Drive, Lancaster, PA 17603 are encouraged. To send online condolences, please visit
www.snyderfuneralhome.com

Rafael Plaza Mecardo

Rafael Plaza Mecardo, 55, of Lancaster, died unexpectedly on Wednesday, April 16, 2008 at LGH.



He is survived by his wife, Maria Del Carmen Rivera, of Lancaster; four sons, Rafael Plaza, Jr., Juan Jose Plaza, Javier J. Plaza, and Manuel Antonio Plaza.

Mass of Christian Burial from San Juan Bautista Catholic Church, 425 S. Duke St., Lancaster, PA on Monday, April 21, 2008 at 2 PM. Interment will be in the Mellinger Mennonite Cemetery, Lancaster, PA. Friends may view at the church one hour prior to the service on Monday. Arrangements Entrusted to the Andrew T. Scheid Funeral Home, 320 Blue Rock Road, Millersville, PA 17551, 717-872-2266. For online condolences, directions or other information, you are welcome to visit our website at:
www.scheidfuneralhome.com

In Loving Memory of Nancy J. Suit

Oct. 15, 1946 - Apr. 18, 2007



Honey, our time together was way too short. God's plan trumped ours. Your love, smile, affection, wit, determination, courage, dedication and patriotism are all greatly missed. You were one special lady and you're the highlight of my life.

You'll always be my special angel.

Love forever, Bob

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OBITUARIES

Lydia M. Wenger

Lydia M. Wenger, 98, died Thursday, April 17, 2008 at Landis Homes, Lititz. Lydia was born on November 5, 1909 to Noah W. and Lydia Z. Martin Hurst. She was the widow of Lester B. Wenger who died in 1988, and was a member of the Lititz Mennonite Church where in earlier years she served as a deacon's wife and Sunday School teacher. She had the gift of hospitality and enjoyed her friends and family.

Lydia was preceded in death by her husband, siblings and son-in-law, Parke Miller.

She is survived by three daughters, Ann Miller, Mount Joy; Elaine, wife of Leon W. Good, Lititz; Deborah, wife of Dean Landis, York; two sons, Larry, husband of RaeDella Alderfer Wenger, Lancaster; Benjamin, husband of Lorraine Landis Wenger, Strasburg; 19 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren. She is also survived by a step-sister, Minerva Nafziger, Hershey, and a sister-in-law, Bertha Hurst, Lititz.

There will be a visitation with the family at Landis Homes, East Bethany Chapel, 1001 E. Oregon Rd., Lititz from 6:30-8:30 P.M. on Friday, April 18th. A Memorial Service will be held at the Lititz Mennonite Church, 165 E. Front St., Lititz on Saturday, April 19, 2008 at 11:00 A.M., preceded by a visitation with the family from 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. Burial will be in Hess Mennonite Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Contributions in Lydia's memory may be made to the Landis Homes Caring Fund.

Funeral arrangements by Richard H. Heisey Funeral Home, Lititz.

Charles H. Urban, Jr.

Charles H. Urban, Jr., 82, of Lancaster, died April 14, 2008 at Homestead Village.

Born July 27, 1925 in Philadelphia, he was the son of the late Charles and Eva Urban. In addition to his parents, wife, Elna L. Urban and sister, Evelyn Urban preceded him in death.

Charles is survived by a son, Martin Urban, daughter-in-law, Christine Corvino-Urban and beloved grandson, Matthew Urban. Charles is also survived by a daughter, Constance L. Karpen, son-in-law, Richard Karpen and beloved grandson, Alex Karpen.

Charles was a member of Highland Presbyterian Church of Lancaster for over 20 years. He had actively served as a deacon and a choir member. He attended Episcopal Academy in Philadelphia and later graduated from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business. Charles went on to be a successful broker in the cocoa industry, where he did extensive travel around the world. He was a veteran of WWII. He served in Germany and the Phillipines as a Technical Sergeant in the Army. Charles was known to his family and friends for his kindness and generosity. He was married for 53 years to his beloved wife, Elna L. Urban, who passed away on June of 2003. He spent the last few years of his life at Homestead Village, where he had many friends. He was affectionately known there as "The Chocolate Man".

A memorial service will be held Friday, April 18, 2008 at 3:30 p.m. at his church, Highland Presbyterian Church, 1801 Oregon Pike, Lancaster with Rev. Ann Osborne officiating.

Arrangements by Auer Memorial Home and Cremation Services, Inc.

Betty L. Spangler

Betty L. Spangler, 77, formerly of Newmantown, died April 17th at 7:50 a.m. in Manor Care, Lebanon.

Her husband, Warren C. Spangler, died July 14, 1997.

Born in Womelsdorf, daugh-

James R. Reynolds

James R. Reynolds, 64, of Landisville, passed away on



Wednesday, April 16, 2008 at the Essa Flory Hospice Center after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer.

Born December 28, 1943, in Ephrata, PA, he was the son of the late Warren and Thelma (Scner) Reynolds. He was married to Cheri C. Reynolds.

Jim was a veteran proudly serving with the U.S. Air Force. Mr. Reynolds was the founder and former owner of Reynolds Heating and Air Conditioning in Landisville. He was currently a salesman at Ben's RV in York, PA. He attended Lancaster County Bible Church.

Jim enjoyed going to the beach, boating, fishing and spending time with his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Cheri, of Landisville; a son, James A. Reynolds, husband of Cynthia, of Lancaster; a daughter, Melissa C., wife of Kirk Jenkins, of Manheim; a granddaughter, Haley A. Reynolds and a grandson, Aiden O. Reynolds, both of Lancaster.

A Memorial Service will be held at the Lancaster County Bible Church, 2392 Mount Joy Road, Manheim, PA on Monday, April 21, 2008 at 7 PM. Interment will be private. Memorial Remembrances can be made in Jim's memory to Hospice of Lancaster County. Arrangements Entrusted to the Andrew T. Scheid Funeral Home, 320 Blue Rock Road, Millersville, PA, (717)-872-2266. For on-line condolences, directions or other information, you are welcome to visit our website at: www.scheidfuneralhome.com

Thomas Hess

Thomas Hess, 43, of Mountville, died Wednesday,



April 16, 2008 surrounded by his loving family, after a

Bernice L. Zerbe

Bernice L. Zerbe, 74, of Harrisburg went to be with her Savior on Tuesday, April 15, 2008 at the Community General Hospital. Bernice Zerbe was born in Williamsport on February 1, 1934, the daughter of the late Theodore A. and Gertrude E. Folk.

Bernice Zerbe was a committed Christian and lifelong participant in church planting operations with her husband. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother and known for showing love and compassion to all who knew her. She enjoyed reading, knitting, crocheting, bowling and swimming. Her daily presence was an inspiration to everyone around her.

She is survived by her husband of fifty-five years, Richard L. Zerbe, two sons, David L., husband of Barbara and Stephen B., husband of Michelle, both of Lancaster; two daughters, Judy A. Coy, wife of Richard, of Harrisburg and Constance D. Coy, wife of Rodney, of Mechanicsburg. She is also survived by seven grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

She will also be greatly missed by her surviving sisters, Donna Mae Barr, Beverly J. Shearer, both of Williamsport, and Joanne J. Stern, of Clinton, NY. Two brothers, Dean G. Folk and Howard L. Folk, and one sister, Dolores M. Bellamy preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be held Monday, April 21, 2008, at 11:00AM in the Hoover Funeral Home, 6011 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg, with the Reverend Frederick Bennett officiating. Visitation will be Monday morning from 10:00AM until time of service. Interment will be in Wildwood Cemetery, Williamsport, at the convenience of the family. Flowers may be sent to the funeral home.

Jane H. Heagy

Jane H. Heagy, 77, of Millersville passed away



Wednesday, April 16, 2008 at her residence. Born in Lancaster she was the daughter of the late Albert and Dorothy (Miller) Heidig. Jane was the wife of the late Robert I. Heagy Jr.

Jane served as the city council secretary from 1976-1988. She was also employed as an accounting clerk. Jane was a member of the Lancaster Leidenkrantz, Alpenrose Schuhplattler Dance Group and a long time member of St. Joseph Catholic Church. Jane enjoyed gardening, crafts, and playing cards. She loved her family and will be missed by them.

Jane is survived by a son Charles Jeffrey Heagy husband of Debra of Newtown, Pa; two daughters Laurie A. wife Terry Mallenghin of Lancaster and Teresa M. Wiedemer wife of Jeffrey of Denver, Pa; and 6 grand children Leia Heagy, Stephen Heagy, Robin Heagy, Andrew Coons, Katie Coons, and Robert Wiedemer.

Memorial contributions can be made to Susquehanna Association for the Blind 244 N. Queen St. Lancaster, PA 17603 or St. Joseph Catholic Church 440 St. Joseph Street Lancaster, PA 17603.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Monday, April 21, 2008 at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 440 St. Joseph Street, Lancaster, PA 17603 with Msgr. Thomas Smith as celebrant. The family will receive friends Sunday, April 20, 2008 at the Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home, 441 N. George St., Millersville, Pa. 17551 from 2-4 p.m. and again on Monday from 10-11 a.m. at the church. Interment will be at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

To send an online condolence please visit www.snyderfuneralhome.com

E Street Band member Federici dies at 58

NEW YORK (AP) — Danny Federici, the longtime keyboard player for Bruce Springsteen whose stylish work helped define the E Street Band's sound on hits from "Hungry Heart" through "The Rising," died Thursday. He was 58.

Federici, who had battled melanoma for three years, died at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York. News of his death was posted late Thursday on Springsteen's official Web site.

According to published reports, Federici last performed with Springsteen and the band last month, appearing during portions of a March 20 show in Indianapolis.

Springsteen concerts scheduled for today in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Saturday in Orlando were postponed after news of Federici's death.

He was born in Flemington, N.J., and first met kindred spirit Springsteen in the late 1960s. The pair often jammed at the Upstage Club in Asbury Park, N.J., a now-defunct after-hours club that hosted the best musicians in the state.

It was Federici, and original E Street Band drummer Vini Lopez, who first invited Springsteen to join their band.

Federici became a stalwart in the E Street Band as Springsteen rocketed from the boardwalk to international stardom.

Federici played accordion on the wistful "4th Of July, Asbury Park (Sandy)" from Springsteen's second album, and his organ solo was a highlight of Springsteen's first top 10 hit, "Hungry Heart."



Danny Federici

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Mrs. Gertrude Haddon Bradshaw, 86 of Elizabeth Drive, Lancaster died Tuesday April 15th, 2008 at Heart of Lancaster Hospital.

She was the wife of Benjamin G. Bradshaw. They were married 61 years last September 14th.

Mrs. Bradshaw was born in Philadelphia, PA on April 9, 1922, the daughter of the late Harry and Mary (Haddon) Jones.

She worked as a clerk at Bell Telephone in Philadelphia in the past. Gertrude was a member of Millersville Bible Church. Survivors: Husband, Sons: Stephen P. Bradshaw of Chattanooga, TN, Cmdr. Kevin Bradshaw Portsmouth, VA, one granddaughter, Jenny Bradshaw. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Joyce.

Memorial Service at 4:00PM on Friday, April 18th at the Calvary Homes Fellowship Hall on Elizabeth Drive in Lancaster with Pastor Paul Habecker officiating. The family will greet friends from 3-4PM. In lieu of flowers contributions in Gertrude's memory may be made to Samaritan's Purse, P.O. Box 300, Boone, NC or Trans World Radio, P.O. Box 8700 Cary NC 27512-0700.

Betty L. Spangler

Betty L. Spangler, 77, formerly of Newmanstown, died April 17th at 7:50 a.m. in Manor Care, Lebanon.

Her husband, Warren C. Spangler, died July 14, 1997.

Born in Womelsdorf, daughter of the late Walter and Emma Matilda "Iillie" (Kantner) German.

She was employed 14-1/2 years as an Inspector at RCA, Lancaster, eight years at Bethlehem Steel Millard Quarry, Annville, eight years at the Lebanon Steel Foundry, Lebanon, and 12-1/2 years as an Inspector at Carpenter Steel, retiring on July 31, 1995.

She was a member of Millcreek Lutheran Church.

Surviving are a daughter, Cheryl A., wife of Joe Patrick, Harker Heights, TX, four grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Services will be held Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. in Millcreek Lutheran Church, PO Box 399, 221 N. Sheridan Rd., Newmanstown, PA 17073. Interment at Richland Cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Church. Lamm & Witman Funeral Home, Inc., Wernersville is handling arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Millcreek Lutheran Church at the above address.

Thomas Hess

Thomas Hess, 43, of Mountville, died Wednesday,



April 16, 2008 surrounded by his loving family, after a courageous battle with cancer while under the care of Hospice of Lancaster

County. He was the husband of Cyndi M. Hager-Hess. He was born in Columbia, son of Jean E. Herr Hess of Mountville and the late Thomas H. Hess. He was a plumber by trade. A lifetime member of the Thunderbird Motorcycle Club; member of Reese-Hall VFW Post #8757, Mountville and he enjoyed motorcycles, going to the mountains, hunting and fishing.

Surviving in addition to his wife and mother, two sons: Taylor T. Hess and Tanner J. Hess, both at home. Two brothers: Blaine T. Hess, Mountville and Joseph married to Rita Hess, Glen Carbon, IL. Three sisters: Beth M. Hess, Mountville; Jennifer E. married to Stephen Gochenaur, Columbia and Jessie A. married to Curtis Wilke, Dallastown.

Graveside service will be held at Concordia Lutheran Cemetery at a later date to be announced. Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to his children's trust funds, c/o Fulton Bank, 305 Highland Drive, Mountville, PA 17554. Arrangements by the Kraft-Workman Funeral Homes, Inc, Mountville/Columbia.

Report: Pa. hospital finances improve, but some struggle

By MARTHA RAFFAELE
Associated Press

HARRISBURG — Revenues at Pennsylvania's hospitals grew last year, although the amount of money the hospitals lost to charity care and other unpaid bills grew at a faster rate, according to a state report being released today.

Against that backdrop, hospital officials worry about how a weakening economy will affect their balance sheets in the future, an industry lobbying group said.

Hospital bills that were unpaid due to bad debt and treating the uninsured amounted to an estimated \$678 million statewide in the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2007, compared with \$604 million in the previous fiscal year.

The analysis by the Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council, an independent state agency that monitors hospital finances and quality of

patient care, found that hospitals' overall margins rose for the fifth consecutive year, improving from 5.4 percent in 2006 to 6.5 percent in 2007.

The hospitals took in \$29.8 billion in combined net patient revenue in 2007, up from \$27.9 billion in 2006.

"It is encouraging that, on the whole, Pennsylvania hospitals continued to experience financially healthy margins," said David Wilderman, the council's acting executive director.

But Wilderman also noted that uncompensated care amounted to 2.27 percent of net patient revenue in 2007, the highest rate since 2002, when it was 2.32 percent.

Forty-one of the 170 general hospitals included in the report posted losses in overall income, the same number as in 2006. The number of hospitals with operating losses declined from 61 in 2006 to 52 in 2007; many were likely to be smaller, rural

hospitals, the council said.

The nation's economic downturn has made the state's hospitals wary about how their finances will hold up in the current fiscal year, said Carolyn F. Scanlan, president and CEO of the Hospital & Healthsystem Association of Pennsylvania.

"Tightening credit markets fueled by the subprime mortgage crisis have made it more difficult and expensive for hospitals to borrow money for technology and facility improvements, and investment losses on Wall Street are affecting their reserve funds, operating funds and pension plans," Scanlan said.

Hospitals also face rising food and fuel costs and rising numbers of people who cannot afford health care, she said.

"While this report is encouraging, we are cautious in our optimism given the volatile economy and the effect it has had on hospitals during recent months," Scanlan said.

Judge blocks Philadelphia's new gun laws

BY GENARO C. ARMAS
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A judge on Thursday temporarily blocked the city from enforcing five gun-control ordinances pending a challenge from the National Rifle Association.

The NRA argues that state law prevents Pennsylvania municipalities from regulating guns, a view that even the city's crime-weary district attorney shares.

"The city has no basis to pass any of these gun-control ordinances and they know it," lawyer C. Scott Shields argued on the NRA's behalf.

City lawyers contend that Philadelphia can pass gun-control ordinances if the laws are outside the scope of state measures. As an example, lawyer Mark Zecca told the judge that one Pennsylvania county had banned guns at its courthouse.

The judge scheduled arguments for April 28. Her decision is sure to be appealed by the losing side.

Candidate charged

BY GENARO C. ARMAS
Associated Press

CLEARFIELD — Five days before the Pennsylvania primary, a U.S. House candidate who has touted his Eagle Scout background in TV ads was charged with felony burglary and criminal trespass stemming from an encounter last year with an ex-girlfriend.

Derek Walker, a 32-year-old financial planner, said in a statement released by his campaign that the charges are politically motivated, an accusation the district attorney denied. He is one of nine candidates seeking the GOP nomination in a race to fill an open seat in a sprawling north-central Pennsylvania district. Three Democrats are also running.

Authorities said the charges, in a summons to be mailed Thursday, were the result of an early-morning confrontation Aug. 25, 2007, with Walker's former girlfriend at her apartment in Clearfield.

According to a police complaint, Walker showed up at

the apartment after the woman, who had left the door open because it was warm, had returned there with a longtime male friend she met at a bar.

The two heard Walker say, "This video is going to put an end to your job with the school district," and saw Walker with a cell phone in his hand, the complaint said. He left after making the comment.

"The impression of both victims was that Walker had videotaped them," police said.

Walker, of Bigler, was also charged with disorderly conduct, stalking, criminal attempt-invasion of privacy and invasion of privacy, all misdemeanors.

Police said Walker had told them he had knocked and had been in the apartment to "smooth things over."

Walker's campaign released a statement Thursday.

"Any thinking citizen in our area understands that charges of this nature brought five days before an election are clearly motivated by politics," Walker said.

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