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DEATHS REPORTED

Allen

Becker, Anna D.
89, of Willow Street. February 24, 2008. Buse Funeral Home, 838-7034

Bishop, Leona I.
81, of Port St. Lucie, FL. February 19, 2008. Miller/Seckly Funeral Services, 367-1543

Bollinger, Ralph S.
74, husband of Mildred H. Eshleman Bollinger, of Fairview Road, Lititz. February 25, 2008. Buch Funeral Home, 665-4341

Cunningham, Mildred E.
86, of Lancashire Hall, Lancaster. February 24, 2008. Furman Home for Funerals, 656-6833

Esh, Daniel S.
97, of 3838 E. Newport Road, Gordonville. February 26, 2008. Furman Home for Funerals, 656-6833

Eshleman, Mildred S.
90, wife of Jacob J. Eshleman, of Honey Brook. February 23, 2008. The Labs Funeral Home, Inc. 610-273-3914

George, Ella E.
89, of Yardley. February 24, 2007. Fred F. Groff, Inc., 397-8255

Hoffman, Emma B.
95, of the Menmonite Home. February 25, 2008. Kraft-Workman Funeral Homes, Inc. 285-4513

Layton, Harper C.
74, husband of Betty G. Stanton Layton, of 480 N. Railroad Ave., New Holland. February 26, 2008. Beck Funeral Home, 354-2227

Lilley, Gladys J.
82, of 651 Exeter Court, State College. February 25, 2008. Clyde W. Kraft Funeral Home, Inc. 684-2370

McNece, Thurman C., Sr.
77, husband of Olive B. Graves McNece, of 542 Martin Ave., Mount Joy. February 26, 2008. Sheetz Funeral Home, Inc., 653-5441.

Mervine, Jean I.
87, of 330 Dogwood Lane, New Holland. February 25, 2008. Beck Funeral Home, 354-2227

Nauman, Samuel W. Jr.
79, of Mount Wolf. February 25, 2008. Diehl Funeral Home and Cremation Center Inc. 266-3591

OBITUARIES

Forrest R. Ulrich

Forrest R. (Wooley) Ulrich, 77, of Spring Township entered into the presence of the Lord, Feb. 26, 2008 in his residence after a long battle with cancers and heart disease.

He was the husband of Betty B. (Peiffer) Ulrich with whom he celebrated 56 years of marriage

Born June 24, 1930 in Fritztown, he was a son of the late Edwin S. and Emma L. (Hatt) Ulrich.

He was a 1948 graduate of Wilson High School and inducted into the Wilson Sports Hall of Fame in 1998.

He graduated from Millersville State College and received a master's degree from Penn State University. He was also a graduate of Lancaster Bible College Evening School.

He served in the Air Force during the Korean War serving as a gunner on the B29.

He touched the lives of thousands of youth and young adults as a career teacher at the Governor Mifflin Junior High School retiring in 1985. He also coached the Jr. High Boy's Baseball and Basketball Teams and the Mifflin Golf Team.

He and his wife were youth leaders at the West Wyomissing Chapel and directors of the Word of Life Club for Teens. He was also the founder and director of the Greenview Bible Camp, Denver, Lancaster County, 1959 to 1994. The camp continues today under the leadership of their daughter, Donna, and her husband, Steve Rohrbaugh. He continued in various ministries at the Chapel and Camp until his illness prevented active involvement. He was able to continue serving on the Greenview Board of Directors until his death.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons and two daughters, Robert Philip, husband of Susan (Miller) Ulrich, Robesonia; daughter, Donna

Daniel S. Esh

Daniel S. Esh, 97, of 3838 E. Newport Road, Gordonville,

Marie married to Steven Rohrbaugh, Fivepointville, Lancaster Co.; son, David James, husband of Siobhan (Gallagher) Ulrich, Lower Heidelberg Township; and Marci Lynn (Ulrich) Reynolds, Denver.

Other survivors include 14 grandchildren, Lindsay (Ulrich) wife of A.J. Caldonetti, Jaimie and Kaitlin Ulrich; Jason Rohrbaugh, husband of Lena (Pereyaslov), Benjamin, Michael, Jonathan, Jessalyn and Andrew Rohrbaugh; Kelsey, Molly and Madison Ulrich; and Kelli and Stephanie Reynolds.

There are also 3 great grandchildren: George and Emma Rohrbaugh and Mia Caldonetti.

He was preceded in death by brothers, Kenneth and Thomas Jacob Ulrich, the husband of Joyce L. (Moyer) Ulrich. Also 1 grandson, Daniel Rohrbaugh, and a great grandson, Baby George Rohrbaugh, twin of George Jason.

Forrest loved his Lord, his family, Southern Gospel music and sports, especially golfing with the seniors at the Manor Golf Course. He was a Godly man of steadfast faith and much wisdom.

Services will be held Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at the West Wyomissing Chapel, West Lawn with Pastor Robert Phillips officiating, assisted by Dr. Brett Reider. Burial will be in the Sinking Spring Cemetery. The family will receive friends 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Nehemiah Building Fund of the Greenview Bible Camp, 580 Fivepointville Rd., Denver, PA 17517.

Arrangements by the Bean Funeral Home, Sinking Spring.

The family wishes to thank all who provided the 181 units of blood since 2000, Dr. T. Cescon, Oncologist and his excellent staff, Dr. Mary Brigandi, Family Health Center who efficiently managed his care, and Pastor Phillips who provided spiritual support and friendship.

Anna D. Becker

Anna D. Becker, 89, of Willow Street, died Sunday, Febru-

Samuel W. Nauman, Jr.

Samuel W. Nauman, (79) of Mount Wolf died, peacefully in his sleep, at Colonial Manor on Monday, February 25, 2008. He was the husband of the late Bernetta Kann Nauman, with whom he celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary on July 18, 2007.

Mr. Nauman was born December 21, 1928 in Lancaster, PA. He was the son of the late Samuel William Nauman, Sr. and the late Margaret (Bitts) Nauman. Mr. Nauman was a 1946 graduate of J.P. McCaskey High School.

After completing an apprenticeship, Sam worked as an electrician for several companies before opening his own business, Dietz-Nauman, Inc., an electrical contracting company, in 1959. He took tremendous pleasure in working with his two oldest sons for over 30 years and in the last several years of his life witnessed a third generation entering the family business. Sam was an avid fisherman, hunter and carver. He spent many hours carving water fowl and won several awards at the Ward Museum's Chesapeake Wildfowl Expo. He was a member of the Yellow Breeches Anglers Association and the York Riflemen.

Mr. Nauman is survived by three sons, Scott of Red Lion, Randal of Hellam, Colby of Manchester, a daughter Laine of Baltimore, MD and six grandchildren.

Visitation with the family will be held at the Diehl Funeral Home and Cremation Center, Inc., 87 S. Main Street, Mount Wolf, on February 29, 2007 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. with the service immediately following.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, 6 Herndon Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21403.

Mildred E. Cunningham

Mildred E. Cunningham, 86, of Lancashire Hall, Lancaster, formerly of Ronks, died February 24, 2008, at Heart of Lancaster Regional Medical Center. Born in East L a m p e t e r

Ralph S. Bollinger

Ralph S. Bollinger, 74, of Fairview Road, Lititz went home to be with the Lord on Monday, February 25, 2008. He passed away unexpectedly at his home. Born in Clay Township, he

was the son of the late Alvin K. and May Smith Bollinger. He was the husband of Mildred H. Eshleman Bollinger, and they would have celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary in June of this year. Ralph retired after 41 years as a truck driver for Yellow Freight, Lancaster. He was a member of White Oak Church of the Brethren, Manheim. Ralph enjoyed John Deere Tractor shows, hunting and camping.

Surviving in addition to his wife are five children, James R. husband of Ann Leibley Bollinger of Mount Joy, Jere L. husband of Donna Hershey Bollinger of Lititz, Glenda S. wife of J. Elvin Heisey of Bainbridge, Jeffrey I. Bollinger of Elizabethtown, Kevin E. husband of Stephanie Keebler Bollinger of Lititz; twelve grandchildren; three great grandchildren; two brothers, Galen husband of Anna Mary Nolt Bollinger of Fredericksburg, Paul husband of Evelyn Zimmerman Bollinger of Leola and one sister, Joanne wife of Raymond Musselman of Myerstown.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral service at White Oak Church of the Brethren, 1211 North Penryn Road, Manheim, PA on Saturday, March 1, 2008 at 10:00 AM. Interment in the adjoining church cemetery. There will be a public viewing at the church on Friday evening from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM and again at the church on Saturday morning from 9:00 AM until the time of service.

Please omit flowers. Those desiring may send contributions in Ralph's memory to White Oak Church of the Brethren, Benevolent Fund, 1211 North Penryn Road, Manheim, PA 17545. The Buch Funeral Home, Manheim, PA 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

Thurman C. McNece, Sr.

Thurman Carroll McNece, Sr., 77, of 542 Martin Ave., Mount Joy passed away on Tuesday, February 26, 2008 at the home of his daughter, Karissa Shank. He was married to Olive B.

Graves McNece for 31 wonderful years. Thurman worked as a shipping supervisor for Lancaster Leaf Tobacco Co., retiring in 1993 after 21 years of service. Previously he was employed by the former Marietta Army Depot for 19 years. A corporal in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers from 1946 until 1948, he was a heavy equipment operator, helping to build bridges in Alaska. Thurman attended the Mount Joy Church of God. He was known to his family as a real idea man, always looking for ways to make things work easier. Thurman loved to watch golf and spend time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Born in Monogah, West Virginia, he was the son of the late Joe Thurman McNece and Minnie Newcomer. In addition to his wife, Thurman will be lovingly remembered by his ten children, Roy, married to Sharon McNece, Lancaster; Dennis, married to Dale McNece, Dinwiddie, Virginia; Russie, married to Eugene Hess, Mount Joy; Gary, married to Nikki (also a daughter) McNece, Landisville; Brian, married to Andrea McNece, Mount Joy; Lori, married to Steve Frank, Bainbridge; Floyd, married to Deb McNece, Maytown; Thurman, Jr. "Buck", married to Wendy McNece, Maytown; and Karissa "Krissey", married to Lloyd Shank, Jr., Mount Joy; 29 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren. Two brothers, Charles Luzader and Calvin Carr preceded him in death.

A funeral celebrating Thurman's life will be held at the Sheetz Funeral Home, Inc., 16 E. Main St., Mount Joy on Friday, February 29, 2008 at 11 am with Pastor Bob Malick officiating. Friends may view and visit with the family at the Sheetz Funeral Home, Mount Joy on Friday from 9:30 until 11 am. Interment is private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Thurman's name may be made to Hospice of Lancast-

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2008. Beck Funeral Home,
354-2227

Nauman, Samuel W. Jr.
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25, 2008. Diehl Funeral
Home and Cremation Center,
Inc. 266-3591

Simmoneau, Wilma Carpenter
65. January 27, 2008.

Ulrich, Forrest R.
77, husband of Betty B.
(Peiffer) Ulrich, of Spring
Township. February 26,
2008. Bean Funeral Home,
610-376-1129

Weaver, L. Virginia
90, of Landis Homes. February
26, 2008. Bachman Fun-
eral Home, 687-7644

* No Obituary appears

survived by two sons and two
daughters, Robert Philip, hus-
band of Susan (Miller) Ulrich,
Robesonia; daughter, Donna

Daniel S. Esh

Daniel S. Esh, 97, of 3838 E.
Newport Road, Gordonville,
died Tuesday, February 26, 2008
at home after a short illness. He
was the son of the late Amos
and Aric Fisher Esh.

He was a member of the Old
Order Amish Church and was a
retired farmer.

Surviving are: six sons,
Amos F. married to Malinda
King Esh of Gordonville, John
L. married to Sara Zook Esh of
Howard, Daniel S. Jr. married
to Amanda Miller Esh of Bird-
in-Hand, David F. married to
Mary Stoltzfus Esh, Reuben F.
married to Mary King Esh,
Samuel married to Mary Lapp
Esh, all of Gordonville; two
daughters, Levina F. married to
Jacob Fisher of Mifflin, Naomi
V. married to Leroy Lapp of
New Holland; 49 grandchildren;
219 great-grandchildren; 13
great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by
his wife, Susie Fisher Esh, and
two brothers and four sisters.

Friends will be received at
the late home from the time of
notice until the service.

The funeral will be held at
the Abram Esh residence, 3818
E. Newport Road, Gordonville,
Thursday, February 28, 2008 at
10 a.m. Interment will follow in
the Gordonville Cemetery.
Kindly omit flowers. Furman
Home for Funerals, Leola.

and Pastor Phillips who provid-
ed spiritual support and friend-
ship.

Anna D. Becker

Anna D. Becker, 89, of Wil-
low Street, died Sunday, Febru-
ary 24, 2008 in
the Lancaster
General Hospi-
tal.



Born March
16, 1918 in
Millersville,
she was a
daughter of the
late Harry K.
and Ruth O. (Baker) Duing.

She was an active member
of First Redeemer Lutheran
Church, Lancaster; a volunteer
at the Lancaster General Hospi-
tal and was the widow of Daniel
H. Becker who died in 1994 to
whom she was married for 54
years. She was also preceded in
death by her sister, Dorothy
Spangler, in 2006.

Surviving are her daughters,
Barbara A. Becker of Lititz and
Carol A. Shoemaker of Charlotte,
North Carolina; granddaughter,
Heidi A., wife of Rob Davidson
of Georgia; brother, Robert B.
Duing, of Millersville, and will
be missed by her beloved Molly.

Burial will be at the conven-
ience of the family in
Millersville Mennonite Ceme-
tery.

Condolences may be shared
at BuschFuneralHome.com

Mary Y. Allen

Mary Y. Allen, 92, formerly
of Brownstown, passed away
peacefully
Monday, Janu-
ary 21, 2008 in
the Health
Care Center at
Brethren Vil-
lage.



Interment
was private. A
Celebration of

Life Service will be held Satur-
day, March 1, 2008 at 11:00 AM
at the Brethren Village Chapel,
3001 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA.
Friends may call on Saturday
from 10:30 AM to 11:00 AM at
the chapel. Memorial contribu-
tions may be made to the
Brethren Village Good Samaritan
Fund, 3001 Lititz Pike, Lan-
caster, PA 17601 or Hospice of
Lancaster County, 685 Good
Drive, P.O. Box 4125, Lancaster,
PA 17604. Furman Home for
Funerals, Leola.

of Lancashire Hall, Lancaster,
formerly of
Ronks, died
February 24,
2008, at Heart
of Lancaster
Regional Med-
ical Center.
Born in East
Lampeter
Township, she

was the daughter of the late
Charles and Eva Scarborough
Rinier. She was the wife of the
late James W. Cunningham, Sr.
who died in 2000. Mildred was a
homemaker and enjoyed walk-
ing and NASCAR.

She is survived by a son,
James Jr., husband of Nancy
Keen Cunningham of Beech
Creek, PA, 7 grandchildren, 10
great-grandchildren, 1 great-
great-granddaughter.

A memorial service will be
held Thursday, February 28,
2008, at 1:00 PM at Furman
Home for Funerals, 59 W. Main
Street, Leola, PA. Friends may
call from 12:30 to 1:00 PM on
Thursday at Furman Home for
Funerals. Interment will be in
St. John's United Methodist
Cemetery, Paradise.

Mildred S. Eshleman

Mildred S. Eshleman, 90 yrs.,
of Honey Brook, Pa. died on Sat-
urday, February 23, 2008 at
Ephrata Community Hospital,
following an illness.

She was born in Pa. and was
the daughter of the late Walter
E. & Margaret E. (Swann)
Schuler. She was the wife of Ja-
cob J. Eshleman, with whom
she shared 34 years of mar-
riage.

Mildred was a homemaker.
She also taught school for the
Amish community at one time.
She was a very artistic person,
who enjoyed doing make-up ap-
plications for the Wilmington
Opera Company and the
Chester County Gilbert and Sul-
livan Society.

She was preceded in death
by 2 brothers.

Mildred is survived in addi-
tion to her husband, by a son,
David S. Emery of Mohnton, Pa.
and a daughter, Mildred M.
Stauffer of Dover, Del. There
are 7 grandchildren, 10 great
grandchildren, and a great-
great grandson.

A memorial service will be
planned for early April of 2008.
An announcement of the time
and date of the memorial ser-
vice will be placed at a later date.

Arrangements by The Labs
Funeral Home, Inc. of Honey
Brook, Pa.

heim, PA 17545. The Buch Fu-
neral Home, Manheim, PA in
charge of arrangements. For
further information or to send
the family a message of con-
dolence you may visit our website
at www.buchfuneral.com

Emma B. Hoffman

Emma B. Hoffman, 95, died
Monday, February 25, 2008 at



her residence,
the Mennonite
Home, after a
brief illness.
She was the
wife of the late
Amos R. Hoff-
man, who died
in 1974. She

was born in
Salunga, the daughter of the
late Norman M. and Annie Seitz
Bender. She retired from a po-
sition as a machine operator for
Keener Manufacturing and was
a member of First Church of
God, Lancaster. She was well
known and well loved at the
Mennonite Home, and she was
very active with the Craft
Room, the Fitness and Walking
Program, and her visitation of
other residents. She was also
recognized for her volunteer
service at the Home every year.
She enjoyed her family very
much and spent time with them
for the holidays and on vaca-
tions.

Emma was a beloved sister,
aunt, cousin and friend. She is
survived by three brothers:
Sam Bender and Norman Ben-
der, Jr., both of the Mennonite
Home, and Robert married to
Aileen Bender, Lititz. Two sis-
ters: Martha Lucille Weaver,
Denver, and F. Jean married to
Edgar Funk, Washington Boro;
and also many nieces and
nephews. She was preceded in
death by two brothers, Clayton
and Jay Bender, and three sis-
ters, Edith Miller, Anna Ruth,
and Edna Bender.

A memorial service will be
held at Church of God of Lan-
disville, 171 Church St., Lan-
disville, on Saturday, March 1,
2008 at 11:00 A.M. with inter-
ment in Landisville Mennonite
Cemetery. Please omit flowers.
Memorial contributions may be
made in her memory to: First
Church of God, 344 West Chest-
nut St., Lancaster, PA 17603 or
the American Cancer Society,
314 Good Dr., Lancaster, PA
17603. Arrangements by the
Kraft-Workman Funeral
Homes, Inc., Mountville/Colum-
bia.

day, February 29, 2008 at 11 am
with Pastor Bob Malick officiat-
ing. Friends may view and visit
with the family at the Sheetz
Funeral Home, Mount Joy on
Friday from 9:30 until 11 am. In-
terment is private. In lieu of
flowers, memorial contribu-
tions in Thurman's name may
be made to Hospice of Lancas-
ter County, P.O. Box 4125, Lan-
caster, PA 17604-4125. Online
condolences to
www.sheetzfuneralhome.com

Wilma Carpenter Simmoneau

Wilma, 65, passed away Jan-
uary 27, 2008 at Texoma Med-
ical Center. She was born June
6, 1942, daughter of the late
William Carpenter and Pauline
Carpenter Cash. Besides her
mother, Pauline, of Ephrata, she
is survived by her sister, Joyce,
wife of Ervan Stoltzfus, Lan-
caster, a half brother, Eugene,
two half sisters, Bonnie and
Tammy, foster brother, Leonard
Eby, husband of Sally Esh, Man-
heim. Also, two aunts, Helen,
wife of Norman Oster,
Millersville, Betty Greineder,
Lancaster, and six children in
Texas survive. Preceding her in
death besides her father were
foster parents, Edwin and Eva
Eby, and brother, William "Bill"
Carpenter, Jr. Wilma came
home to visit family and friends
in June 2007. She enjoyed cook-
ing and scrapbooking. Services
were held in Denison, Texas.

In Loving Memory Of Debra Souders

Aug. 6, 1956 - Feb. 27, 1999



They say there
is a reason.

They say
that time
will
heal. But
neither
time or
reason will
change the
way we feel.

For no one

knows the heartache
that lies behind our smiles,
no one knows how many
times we've broken down and
cried. We want to tell you
something, so there won't be
any doubt, you're so wonder-
ful to think of, but so hard to
live without.

Love, Rock, Jill and Eric

OTHER OBITUARIES ON PAGE B4

SERVICES TODAY

Christensen, Marion S.
Dewald Funeral & Crema-
tion Services, 227 W. 4th St.,
Quarryville, Wednesday, 10
AM.

Davis, Ellen Mary
Indiantown Gap National
Cemetery, Wednesday, 11:30
AM. Groff-High Funeral
Home.

Hemling, Charles
Roseboro Funeral Home,
533 Walnut St., Denver,
Wednesday, 11 AM.

Keller, Raymond C.
Fred F. Groff Inc., 234 W. Or-
ange St., Wednesday, 11 AM.

Seaman, Robert Clayton
St. James Episcopal Church,
N. Duke & Orange St., Lan-
caster, Wednesday, 11 AM.
Fred F. Groff, Inc.

Smoker, Lizzie Z.
The residence of David S.
Smoker, 147 North Ramona
Road, Myerstown, Wed.,
9AM. Hetrick Funeral
Home.

Witmer, Mary A.
Andrew T. Scheid Funeral
Home, 320 Blue Rock Rd.,
Route 999, Millersville.
Wed., 2:00pm.

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Harper C. Layton

Harper C. Layton, 74, of 480 N. Railroad Ave., New Holland, died Tuesday, February 26, 2008 at Garden Spot Village.



Born in Amaranth, PA he was the son of the late Chester W. and Goldie E. (McKee) Layton. He was married 8 years in September to Betty G. Stanton Layton. His first wife, Margaret (Gabel) Layton, died in 1998.

Harper graduated from Southern Fulton High School, Warfordsburg, PA class of 1953. He was drafted and served in the US Army during the Korean Conflict from 1953-1956 which included an 18-month tour of duty in Japan. Later he graduated from Technical Institute of the College of William and Mary, Norfolk, VA in the class of 1961. He worked for 30 years, retiring in 1992 from the former Ford New Holland plant as an engineer.

Memberships include: Honey Brook Twp. Grange #1688 serving as Past Master for 6 years; Howell Lodge #405 in Honey Brook; Evangelical United Methodist Church, New Holland where he recently served on the Board of Trustees for the past 6 years; and Loyal Sons and Daughters Sunday School Class at Church. He also volunteered as a driver for the American Cancer Society's Road to Recovery, and volunteer driver for Meals on Wheels in the New Holland area.

Surviving in addition to his wife is a daughter, Joy, married to Nevin Heisey of Lancaster; a son, Mark D., married to Sarah Layton of Lititz; four grandchildren, Alexander and Marisa Heisey, and Ava and Titus Layton; a sister, Neva L., married to Charles Harvey of Hagerstown, MD; and a brother, Reed Layton, of Fishertown.

Preceding him in death are three half sisters, Vernona Ryder, Idella Hollinger, and Edna Wolff.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, February 28, at 2 p.m. at the Evangelical United Methodist Church, 276 W. Main St., New Holland, with the Reverend Eric Ritz officiating. Interment will be in the Pequoa Presbyterian Cemetery. Viewing will be held on Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. at the Beck Funeral Home, 315 E. Main St., New Holland, and on Thursday

Ella E. George

Ella E. George, 89, of Yardley, PA, formerly of Lancaster



passed away on Sunday afternoon at the Crestview Center, Langhorne, PA following a brief illness. Born in Lancaster, she was the daughter of the late Phares K. and Hattie A. Fshleman Sauder. Ella was the wife of the late John Ira George, Sr. who passed away in Dec. 1981.

She was a homemaker, and enjoyed crocheting and working on crossword and word-search puzzles.

Ella will be lovingly remembered by her children, Sharleen A. wife of Elmer Heiland of Wrightsville, PA, Sharon A. wife of Art McNally of Yardley, PA and John I. Jr. husband of Colleen George of Miami, FL, 10 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a daughter Jacqueline A. George, a sister Mabel Miller, and brothers Lloyd B. and Benjamin Sauder.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend her Life Celebration Service from Fred F. Groff Inc., 234 W. Orange St., Lancaster, PA, on Saturday at 11:30 AM with the Rev. David A.B. Rike officiating. Interment will be held in Landisville Mennonite Cemetery. The family will receive friends at Groff's on Saturday from 10:30 AM until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials may be sent in Ella's memory to Hospice of Lancaster County, 685 Good Dr., P.O. Box 4125, Lancaster, PA, 17604-4125.

www.lifecelebration.com

Leona I. Bishop

Leona I. Bishop, 81, of Port St. Lucie, FL, formerly of Elizabethtown, died Tuesday, February 19, 2008 at Kindred Hospital, Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Born in Bristol, PA, she was a graduate of Catherine Gibbs School. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, Chapter #407, Elizabethtown.

Prior to retiring, she had been an administrative assistant in the medical field for over 20 years.

She was preceded in death

OBITUARIES

L. Virginia Weaver

L. Virginia Weaver, 90, of Landis Homes and formerly of Rockvale Road, went to be with her Savior on Tuesday, February 26, at Heart of Lancaster Hospital. She was the wife of the late Lloyd H. Weaver, who died in 2000, and the late Clarence Kreider, who died in 1948.



Virginia graduated from Millboro High School and Dunsmore Business School. She worked as a secretary for the former Weaver's Book Store from 1948 to 1959 and then for the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society. She was a member of Willow Street Mennonite Church.

Virginia and her husband, Lloyd, were well known for their large tulip garden at their home on Rockvale Road. She enjoyed genealogy research and volunteering at Landis Homes.

Born in Bath County, Virginia, she was the daughter of the late Frederick P. and Mary Edith Williams Armentrout. Virginia is survived by a son, Fred M. Kreider of Mountville, a daughter, Martha J. married to Glenn Lippart of Lititz, a step-daughter, Betty Witmer of Lancaster, a step-son, Daniel S. married to Carolyn Witmer Weaver of Lancaster, and a daughter-in-law, Alverna "Sue" Weaver of Willow Street; 11 grandchildren; 3 step-grandchildren; 26 great grandchildren; 6 step-great grandchildren; 4 great-great grandchildren; 3 sisters, Patsy Glick of Lexington, VA, Charlotte Deitz of Millboro, VA and Jane Porter married to Meredith Shanks of Westminster, MD. Virginia was preceded in death by a brother, James, and 2 sisters, Ruth and Winnie Jones.

VIEWING: Saturday, March 1, from 9 until 11 AM in the West Bethany Chapel at Landis Homes, 1001 East Oregon Road, Lititz, PA. FUNERAL: Saturday, March 1, at 11 AM in the chapel with Pastor Bob Breneman, Chaplain Don Good and Pastor Gerald Garber officiating. Interment in Willow Street Mennonite Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, kindly consider sending a contribution to Virginia's mem-

Jean I. Mervine

Jean I. Mervine, 87, of 330 Dogwood Lane, New Holland, formerly of Gordon, died Monday, February 25, 2008 at Ephrata Community Hospital. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Mervine, in 1971.

Born in Gordon, she was the daughter of the late Jesse and Sarah (Stewart) Carl.

Jean retired in 1981 after 41 years with the U. S. Postal Service. Her last eight years were spent as the Postmaster of Gordon. She was also the proprietor of Jean's Beauty Shop in Gordon for 45 years.

She was a member of Evangelical United Methodist Church, New Holland and its sewing group; the National Postmaster's Association; the Retired Postmaster's Association; and the Senior Citizens of Gordon. Additionally, she was also a member of the Brotherhood of Firemen & Enginemen; the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; and AARP.

Jean was also a volunteer at Wheatland and also did knitting and crocheting for hospital nurseries and for the church.

She is survived by her daughter, Alison J. married to Anthony D. Mellinger, Narvon; three grandchildren: Ashlea, Alicia, and Dylan; and a sister, Lois Motko, Pottstown.

She was preceded in death by two brothers: Lewis Carl and Dr. Harry Carl.

Her memorial service will be held on Monday, March 3, at 11 AM at the Evangelical United Methodist Church, 276 W. Main St., New Holland, PA 17557. The family will receive friends at the church on Monday from 10 to 11 AM. Interment will be in Christ Church Cemetery, Fountain Springs. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to the church (address above) or to the American Heart Association, 610 Community Way, Lancaster, PA 17603. The Beck Funeral Home, New Holland is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be submitted at:

www.beckfuneral.com

Gladys J. Lilley

Gladys J. Lilley, 82, of 651 Exeter Court, State College, PA died at the residence of her daughter and son-in-law on Monday. She previously resided at Mount Joy Country Homes for 12 years before moving to State College with her daughter and son-in-law in 2007.

She was the wife of the late Joseph D. Lilley who passed away in 1996. They were married for 44 years. Born in Mingo, PA, she was the daughter of the late James and Bertha Dobson Hinds.

She worked as a bookkeeper for Lilley Motors in Columbia, a company that was owned and operated by her husband. She was also employed as a bookkeeper for Walker's Jewelry Store in Columbia, Long Level Marina, Wrightsville and Lake Clarke Marina in Wrightsville from which she retired in 2005. She was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Columbia and Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in State College.

Surviving are 3 Daughters: Carol L. West of Columbia, PA., Myra L. wife of J. Patrick Campbell with whom she resided and JoAnn Martz of East Petersburg, PA. Also surviving are 3 Grandchildren: Leah wife of Chalmers Mann of Marietta, PA., Cami Young of Dover, PA and Tara S. Campbell of Erie, PA. 3 Great-Grandchildren: Michael Mann and Courtney Mann of Marietta, PA and Shane Young of Dover, PA. and a Sister: Virginia wife of John McCulley of Bellefonte, PA.

A Private Mass of Christian Burial will be held for the immediate family from the Holy Trinity Catholic Church 4th & Cherry Streets Columbia, PA with the Rev. Fr. Kenneth Lawrence as Celebrant. Final Commendation and Farewell will be in Holy Trinity Catholic Cemetery. The family requests that flowers be omitted. Memorial contributions in Gladys memory to Holy Trinity Catholic Church 409 Cherry St. Columbia, PA 17512 would be deeply appreciated.

Arrangements by the Clyde W. Kraft Funeral Home, Inc. Columbia/Landisville.

Area students earn degrees at Kutztown University

The following area students were awarded degrees recently by Kutztown University.

Nathan Matz of Mohnton, bachelor of arts, English/professional writing; Mcgigan Moyer of Mohnton, bachelor of science, business administration/marketing; Geoffrey Weitzel of Mohnton, master of business administration; Harley Angelozzi of Lincoln University, bachelor of science, criminal justice.

Brian Bingnear of Oxford, bachelor of science, psychology/general; Elizabeth Clark of Nottingham, bachelor of fine arts, studio art/photography; Danielle Guie of Coatesville, bachelor of science in education, elementary education/English, cum laude; Kevin Kalbach of Coatesville, bachelor of science in education, secondary education/English.

Cory Mull of Hummelstown, bachelor of arts, English/professional writing; Julia Ault of Gap, bachelor of science, art education, summa cum laude; Marcia Beckwith of Lititz, master of library science; James Bowalick of Lancaster, bachelor of science, biology/pre-professional; Kyle Brubaker of Mount Joy, bachelor of science, general studies; Tegan Conner of Narvon, bachelor of science in education, library science, summa cum laude.

Tara Davies of Ephrata, bachelor of science, business administration/marketing, cum laude; Elizabeth Dinovis of Lititz, bachelor of arts, Spanish, summa cum laude; Richard Distefano of Nottingham, bachelor of fine arts, communications design; Nichole Frankhouser of Lititz, bachelor of science in education, elementary education/English, cum laude; Jaime Hintz of Lititz, bachelor of science, electronic media/speech and theater, summa cum laude.

Bradley Howe of Stevens, bachelor of science, mathematics; Erin Kuntz of Lancaster

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m. at the Evangelical United Methodist Church, 276 W. Main St., New Holland, with the Reverend Eric Ritz officiating. Interment will be in the Pequea Presbyterian Cemetery. Viewing will be held on Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. at the Beck Funeral Home, 315 E. Main St., New Holland and on Thursday at the Church from 1-2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Evangelical United Methodist Church Memorial Fund, 276 W. Main St., New Holland, PA 17557. To send the family condolences visit us at:

www.beckfuneral.com

Born in Bristol, PA, she was a graduate of Catherine Gibbs School. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, Chapter #407, Elizabethtown.

Prior to retiring, she had been an administrative assistant in the medical field for over 20 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jay Bishop.

An Eastern Star Service will be held on Friday, February 29, 2008 at Miller/Sekely Funeral Services, 130 North Market Street, Elizabethtown, PA at 10:00 AM. Interment will follow in Mount Tunnel Cemetery.

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Homes, 1001 East Oregon Road, Lititz, PA. FUNERAL: Saturday, March 1, at 11 AM in the chapel with Pastor Bob Breneman, Chaplain Don Good and Pastor Gerald Garber officiating. Interment in Willow Street Mennonite Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, kindly consider sending a contribution in Virginia's memory to the Caring Fund at Landis Homes, 1001 E. Oregon Rd., Lititz, PA 17543 or the Mennonite Historical Society, 2215 Millstream Rd., Lancaster PA 17602. Bachman Funeral Home, Strasburg, PA.

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Court KOs Reading's aggressive-dog ordinance

HARRISBURG (AP) — A state appeals court on Tuesday threw out a Reading city ordinance that placed restrictions on pit bulls and other types of dogs, saying Pennsylvania's dog law pre-empted it.

The divided Commonwealth Court decision sided with two pit bull owners who have fought the city's dog law for nearly eight years.

Reading's ordinance defined aggressive dogs as those that are, at least partly, of a breed that accounted for 40 percent or more of dog-bite incidents in the city during the prior year, as long as there were at least 30 bites from all breeds.

"The absurdity was that dangerous dog breeds changed from year to year, based on the dog bite statistics — that was the crux of the lawsuit," said Al Kauffman, attorney for plaintiffs Stacie Stankiewicz and Kenneth Steeves Sr.

Steeves' wife, Patricia, said Tuesday that they felt it was unfair to have to pay higher registration fees for their pit bull, Noah, even though he has no history of aggression.

"He's just a sweetheart," she said. "And even (when) strangers come into the house, the most he would do is lick them to death."

Reading's 1998 law required

that aggressive or dangerous dogs, when outside the home, be muzzled and kept on a leash shorter than 3 feet long with a minimum tensile strength of 300 pounds. It punished violators with fines of up to \$1,000 or 30 days in jail.

The law is credited with helping to reduce dog bites from 130 in 1999 to 33 in 2006. Reading city manager Leon Churchill said the total number of bites has fallen so low that no breeds are currently classified as dangerous.

The three-judge panel was split, with Judge Doris Smith-Ribner saying the ordinance should be upheld because it was an effort to protect people and regulate care and control of aggressive dogs that did not run counter to the state dog law.

Pennsylvania's state Dog Law classifies as "dangerous" an individual dog that has attacked someone without provocation, one that has killed or badly injured a domestic animal while off the dog owner's property or one that has been used to commit a crime.

Churchill said officials have not decided whether to appeal.

Southcentral Pa. sees more bank robberies, violence

HARRISBURG (AP) — The FBI says bank robberies in southcentral Pennsylvania are on the rise — and they're getting more violent.

FBI agent Arturo Canedo says he's concerned about the high-powered weapons used today. In some cases, robbers are taking hostages. Canedo says it's only a matter of time before someone gets hurt.

Canedo says robbers are picking the area because of the ease of getting onto a major highway for a getaway. He can't explain the increase in violence.

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Alexander Poplar of New Providence, bachelor of science, general studies; Heather Scales of Lancaster, bachelor of science, criminal justice; Joshua Slaymaker of Lancaster, bachelor of science, biology/organismal/ecology; Ashley Smith of Lancaster, bachelor of science, business administration/finance and bachelor of science, business administration/management; Claire Varner of Manheim, bachelor of science in education, secondary education/citizenship education/history; Anna Farrell of Palmyra, bachelor of science, art education, bachelor of science in education, secondary education/French, magna cum laude.

CAMPUS NEWS

DEAN'S LIST

◆ Kelly M. Engle was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Arcadia University in Glenside, where she is majoring in psychobiology. A graduate of Hempfield High School, she is the daughter of Dennis and Jennifer Engle.

◆ Stephanie Kratzer of Lititz was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Old Dominion University, where she is a freshman majoring in pre-pharmacy.

A 2007 graduate of Warwick High School, she is the daughter of Keith and Tammy Kratzer.

◆ Lauren Kratzer of Lititz was named to the dean's list for the seventh straight at West Chester University, where she is a senior majoring in kinesiology with a minor in nutrition.

A 2004 graduate of Warwick High School, she is the daughter of Keith and Tammy Kratzer.



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