

**Harry Bain***Big Cove Tannery, 94*

Harry Bain, 94, Big Cove Tannery, died Thursday, December 25, 2008, at Fulton County Medical Center.

Born in Websters Mill, March 15, 1914, he was the son of the late John Bain Sr. and Catherine (Harris) Bain, whom he cared for on their farm until he was 25 years old. He was the husband of Ruth (Crouse) Bain, whom he married July 16, 1938, in Elkton, Md.

He was a member of Laurel Ridge Christian Church, Big Cove Tannery.

He worked at different occupations including the construction of the PA Turnpike, Ed Plummer, Eddy Goetz and Frank Bivens and Son Framing Contractors. His chief occupation was drilling and explosives in various stone quarries, including H.B. Mellott, Leonard Fry and 25 years at Martin Marietta in Pinesburg, Md., upon retiring in 1981.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by sons: Harry E. (husband of Eleanor) Bain, Clear Spring; Tom (husband of Linda) Bain, Needmore; daughter, Judy (wife of Ronald) Hower, Yoe, Pa.; grandson, Brian E. Bain; granddaughters: Monica Riggins, Kasi Boyer, Erin Bain; great-granddaughter, Sarah E. Bain; and great-grandsons: Nicholas Riggins and Landon Boyer.

He was preceded in death by sisters: Florence Stenger, Stella Bain, Beulah Glazier, Nina Bivens, Alma Strait Fetterhoff; brothers: John, Kenneth, Alfred and twins George and Alonzo Bain; half-sisters: Alice Rippin, Mary Heinbaugh, Letha Bain; and half-brothers: Clarence, Ira and Guy Bain.

Funeral services were held at Howard L. Sipes Funeral Home Inc., McConnellsburg, at 11:00 a.m., Monday, December 29. Pastor David Hamilton officiated. Burial was made in Union Cemetery.

**Margaret E. Brant***Orange, Va., 92*

Margaret E. Brant, 92, Orange, Va., and formerly of Artemas, Pa., died Monday, December 22, 2008, at Dogwood Village in Orange, Va.

Born in Myersdale, Pa., she was the daughter of the late Alfred E. and Maude M. Smith Emrick and the widow of Joseph L. Brant, who died in 1994.

She is survived by a daughter, Nancy Stanley, Longview, Texas; a daughter-in-law, Linda Brant, Locust Grove, Va.; a brother, Alfred Emrick, Livonia, Mich.; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a son, Alvin W. Brant; a sister, Betty Northcraft; four brothers: William, Earl and Clarence Emrick; Billy Kines and a son-in-law, Lester Stanley.

Services and burial will be announced at a later date. Arrangements are by Grove Funeral Home, Hancock.

**Lillian M. Cover***McConnellsburg, 90*

Lillian M. Cover, age 90, McConnellsburg, died Sunday December 28, 2008, at Fulton County Medical Center.

She was born August 6, 1918, in Big Cove Tannery, the daughter of the late Samuel and Bessie (Heinbaugh) Mellott.

She was married to the late William Cover on September 25, 1935.

Early in life, she was a housewife and homemaker before working at Sagner Manufacturing in McConnellsburg as a seamstress. She was a 50-year member of the Fulton Chapter of the Order of Easter Star.

She is survived by two sons: R. Kirk (husband of Sally) Cover and Allen L. (husband of Joyce) Cover, both of McConnellsburg; four grandchildren: (Paula Cook of Mercersburg; Bill Cover of Chambersburg; Sheri Perry of McConnellsburg; and Matthew Cover of State College; and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Cover; her parents: Samuel and Bessie Mellott; two sons: Rodney and Richard Cover; two grandchildren: Edwin Cover and Marla Cover; one brother, Lee Mellott; and one sister, Evelyn Buterbaugh.

Funeral services will be held 11:00, Wednesday, December 31, 2008, at Kelso-Cornelius Funeral Home in McConnellsburg with visitation one hour prior to the funeral service. Interment will be held at Union Cemetery with the Rev. E. Loy Garber officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Fulton County Medical Center; Long-Term Care Unit, 214 Peach Orchard Rd, McConnellsburg, PA 17233. Online con-

dolences may be expressed at [www.kelso-corneliusfuneralhome.com](http://www.kelso-corneliusfuneralhome.com).

Kelso-Cornelius Funeral Homes, 322 North Second Street, McConnellsburg, Pa., will be handling the arrangements.

**Helen M. Whitmore***Chambersburg, 73*

Helen M. Whitmore, 73, Chambersburg, died Saturday, December 27, 2008, at Hershey Medical Center.

Born October 22, 1935, in Fulton County, she was the daughter of the late Herman and Delilah (Souders) Purnell.

She was a 1955 graduate of Chambersburg High School.

She was a homemaker most of her life.

She was a member of The Open Door Church and Chambersburg Memorial YMCA.

She is survived by her husband, William E. Whitmore, whom she married December 16, 1961; four children: Terry W. Whitmore and Donald A. Whitmore, both of Chambersburg; Julie M. Kemper, Mechancsburg; and James L. Whitmore, Waynesboro; two brothers: Stanley Purnell, New Franklin, Pa., and Quay Purnell, Key West, Fla.; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three brothers: Raymond, Herman Jr. and Gerald Purnell.

Funeral services will be held at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, December 31, at Thomas L. Geisel Funeral Home, Chambersburg. Rev. Mike Sanders will officiate. Burial will follow in Parklawn Memorial Gardens.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 30, and one hour prior to the service on Wednesday in the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Open Door Church, 600 Miller St., Chambersburg, PA 17201.

**Frank D. Woodal***Needmore, 82*

Frank D. Woodal, 82, Needmore, died Thursday, December 25, 2008, at his residence.

Born in McConnellsburg December 27, 1925, he was the son of the late Frank D. Woodal Sr. and Edith Mae (Peck) Woodal. He was the husband of Rhoda Belle (Spade) Woodal, whom he married on July 28, 1956.

He was of the Protestant faith, enjoyed woodworking and was a member of the American Legion Post 0026, Hancock. He was a staff sergeant in the U.S. Air Force during World War II, owner/operator of Woodal Trucking in Needmore and later a newspaper carrier for the Herald Mail.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Tommy A. Woodal, Needmore; a daughter, Tammy E. Reitober, Needmore; a sister, Charlotte Stahle, Needmore; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; a great-great-grandchild and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Harold R. Woodal.

Funeral services were held at Howard L. Sipes Funeral Home Inc., McConnellsburg, at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 30. Rev. Donald Preston officiated. Burial was made in Union Cemetery.

Military services were conducted by Fulton Honor Guard.

**Council Members Challenge Philly Library Closures**

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Three Philadelphia council members have filed an emergency motion in Common Pleas Court seeking to prevent Mayor Michael Nutter from closing 11 city libraries without the council's permission.

The motion filed by City Council members Bill Green, Jack Kelly and Jannie Blackwell cites two ordinances and a section of the city charter in saying the mayor cannot sell city buildings without council approval.

City Solicitor Shelley Smith was not available to respond Wednesday. But she has said at least one of the ordinances cited is invalid since it conflicts with the charter's requirement that the mayor balance the budget.

On Tuesday, seven residents and a municipal union filed a lawsuit seeking to prevent the closures. A hearing is scheduled Monday on the council members' motion and the lawsuit.

**Resource Workshop Available At PA Dairy Summit**

The agenda for the 2009 Pennsylvania Dairy Summit is designed to work with the daily schedule of a dairy producer, but a special bonus workshop will be available for those who plan to arrive before the summit program opens at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 11.

Registered attendees on-hand at 8:00 am that day can participate in a free one-hour workshop to explore the practical and educational resources that are available to producers in Pennsylvania. The summit on February 11 and 12 will once again be held at the Lancaster Host Resort in Lancaster, Pa.

The workshop is an extension of the overall goal of the PA Dairy Summit to ensure the long-term growth and vitality of the dairy industry. This session, conducted by Brad Hilty from Penn State Dairy Alliance, Tim Beck of Penn State Cooperative Extension and John Frey, head of the Center for Dairy Excellence, will help producers identify existing resources that support their needs and plans for their individual farms.

According to Hilty, who will speak about business model and accounting seminars, "Producers who plan to stay in operation recognize the need to gain business savvy. Understanding the factors that limit profitability in different herd sizes and how shifts in management strategies can improve profitability will help producers position their farm for the future."

Producers at the workshop will be encouraged to take advantage of the programs and tools that have already been created to support their continued success. Beck will explain the PA Dairy Tool, and Frey will talk about farm resource teams and the new business planning template section on the Center for Dairy Excellence Web site.

Immediately following the resources workshop, chair Dina Zug will begin the summit by introducing the opening presentation on "Emerging Trends in the Dairy Industry" by Dr. John Stanton. In addition to presentations of interest to all dairy producers, the summit program includes intensive breakout sessions that provide take-home answers specific to farm operations.

New on the summit program this year are segments for open discussion among the entire audience with experts on innovation and developing dairy markets. The closing lunch will be highlighted by an inspirational message from Wisconsin dairyman Hank Wagner of "Findin Opportunities Under Each Rock."

Because networking is a key element of the two-day event, the schedule includes a variety of options for producers to talk one-on-one with their peers. The summit also features an exhibit area where 60 or more industry suppliers are expected to share information on the latest technology and services available to dairy farmers. The growing list of exhibitors is updated regularly at [www.padairysummit.org](http://www.padairysummit.org).

The complete agenda and registration information are available at the special summit Web site: [www.padairysummit.org](http://www.padairysummit.org). Through an arrangement with the Lancaster County Workforce Investment Board registration fees for producers can be as low as \$80.

The PA Dairy Summit is hosted by the Professional Dairy Managers of Pennsylvania

([www.pdmp.org](http://www.pdmp.org)) and the Pennsylvania Dairy Stakeholders ([www.padairystake.org](http://www.padairystake.org)). Supporting partners are The Center for Dairy Excellence, the PA Department of Agriculture and the Penn State Dairy Alliance, an initiative of Cooperative Extension. The broad list of suppliers that also support the industry as summit sponsors is shown at [www.padairysummit.org](http://www.padairysummit.org).

For additional details or specific questions, the PA Dairy Summit business office can be reached at [info@padairysummit.org](mailto:info@padairysummit.org) or 877-326-5993.

**Woman Acquitted In Home Sales Fraud Probe Sues AG**

STROUDSBURG, Pa. (AP) — A former home sales title agent cleared of all charges in two fraud prosecutions has filed a \$5 million lawsuit against the state attorney general, prosecutors and investigators involved in the case.

Anita Peterson, former owner of title company Mountain Valley Abstract, was acquitted of more than a dozen charges including perjury and falsely testifying before a grand jury. She had been accused of falsifying records to make it appear buyers had enough money to qualify for mortgages.

"I lost my career, everything I worked for in the last 25 years, I lost my house and I lost the legacy of everything I was going to give my son," said Peterson, who handled closings of home sales.

In January 2005, she was arrested and accused of manipulating home sales documents and tampering with a witness in transactions involving Eagle Valley Homes. The two owners of Eagle Valley pleaded guilty to a single home sales fraud charge in 2006 and were sentenced to probation. The company agreed to no longer sell homes.

Prosecutors charged Peterson with 19 counts including perjury, records tampering and related counts. The state also alleged she removed copies of checks from home sale files sought by a Harrisburg grand jury to hide discrepancies in the amounts of money paid by buyers.

In March 2007, she was acquitted of charges of perjury and falsely testifying before a grand jury. The trial jury deadlocked on six other charges and a mistrial

was declared on those counts.

In September 2007, Peterson was acquitted of those remaining charges. Jurors said the main prosecution witness had credibility problems, and that prosecutors used the witness to try to entrap Peterson.

Peterson says in her lawsuit, filed in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, that the ordeal has caused her permanent emotional and psychological damage and that she requires professional treatment.

"I have worked on and off ... but I can't work in my field. I'm blacklisted," she said.

Among those named in the suit are state Attorney General Thomas Corbett Jr., Bureau of Investigations Special Agent Kevin Colgan and Dana Kleintop, a former mortgage banker with an Eagle Valley subsidiary who testified against Peterson.

A spokesman for the attorney general's office could not be reached for comment.

**Philly Out To Recoup Money Owned By Gun Applicants**

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Philadelphia police officials are trying to recoup money the city failed to charge gun-license applicants since a change in the state law three years ago.

In 2005, the state legislature amended the law governing licenses to carry firearms, increasing the cost of a five-year license from \$19 to \$25. But the city has not been collecting the

\$6 increase.

Now, the state wants its money and the city is going back to applicants who weren't charged the increase. If the applicants don't pay, they risk revocation of their license.

Special adviser to the police commissioner Lt. Fran Healy says the city is only trying to collect money it should have gotten.

Healy says the sum owed is less than \$50,000, but if the total isn't raised through back collection, the state will demand the money from the city.

**Will The Right-To-Know Law Foster Identity Theft?****By The Associated Press**

Q: Will Pennsylvania's new Right-to-Know Law make it easier for someone to steal my identity?

A: It should not. Social Security and driver's license numbers are excluded from being released, as are home cellular and personal telephone numbers. Also off-limits is personal financial information, such as details about credit cards, bank accounts and financial statements.

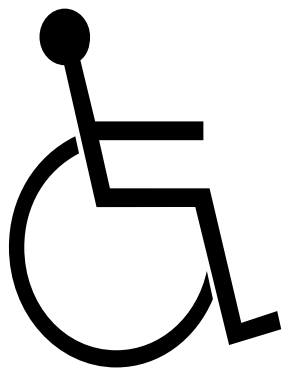
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