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Thursday, June 25, 2009

Callahan County Library News

New books, purchased with Loan Star Libraries grant money are: Cursed by Carol Higgins Clark, Luck of the Loch Ness Monster by Alice Flaherty, Love Mercy by Earlene Fowler, In The Dark by Brian Freeman and Malice by Lisa Jackson.

Some donated books that are new to the library are: The Locket and Timepiece both by Richard Paul Evans, The Christmas Blessing by Donna VanLiere and The Simple Truth by David Baldacci.

From the Past

Callahan County Clarendon

June 26, 1880

Vol. 1, No. 27

Mr. C.W. Merchant returned to Belle Plain last week from Fort Worth having made a very successful drive and a satisfactory sale of his herd of beeves. We hope he will do as well throughout the season.

C.W. Merchant of Callahan County arrived on Saturday with 570 head of beeves, which he had bought in several different counties in Western Texas. These cattle were generally not thick fat, but were decidedly the best that have been offered this season. The steers were a lot of mixed three and four year olds and will weigh in market about 948 pounds per head average. The arrival of this herd created quite a flutter among the buyers, and were bought by Richardson and Haas, at \$23.50 per head for the steers and \$15.00 per head for the cows. They were shipped Sunday morning to R. Strathorn & Co., of Chicago. The return sales will be looked for with interest by the entire fraternity of cattle buyers and will be reported in full next issue of the Journal--Ft. Worth Democrat.

Messrs. Martin, Johnson and Byrnes have completed their labors on our jail, which was examined and received by the County Commissioners, on last Monday. The work was considered entirely satisfactory and according to contract. We regret to lose these gentlemen from our midst for they leave many warm friends here.

Married

Jenks - Mills--at West Union, near Olympia, Wash. Ter'y, May 2nd, by Rev. J.R. Thompson, assisted by Rev. Mr. Macfie, Mr. Mortimer W. Jenks, formerly of Callahan County, Texas, and Miss Fannie Mills, of W.T.

Lotz- Rust--at the Clarendon office, on May 18, 1880. Mr. William R. Lotz and Miss Ada Rust, all of Belle Plain, Callahan County, Texas, Rev. Mr. W.D. Wear, officiating.

Callahan County Commissioners Court Agenda

Callahan County Commissioners' Court

Notice of Open Meeting

Date of Meeting: June 22, 2009, 9:30 A.M.

Location: 100 West 4th, Suite 200

Callahan County Court-house

Baird, Texas 79504

Complete Agenda:

Call to Order

Deliberate and Consider Action on the following items:

I. Review and Sign Minutes of Previous Meetings

II. Public Comment (5

minutes per speaker) No Discussion or Action

III. Discuss- Consider Monthly Sheriff's Report

IV. Discuss-Consider Office of Constable in Justice Precinct 1 and Justice Precinct 3 Dormant

V. Discuss - Consider Annual Report - Veteran Officer - Tom Ivey

VI. Discuss- Consider ORCA Award and Progress Report

VII. Review & Pay Approved Bills

Adjourn

Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chap. 551, the Commissioner's Court may convene a closed session to discuss any of the above agenda items. Immediately before any closed session, the specific section or sections of Government Code, Chap. 551 which provides statutory authority will be announced.

Commissioners Court Minutes

COMMISSIONER'S COURT MINUTES

1100 W. 4th St.

Baird, Texas 79504

June 22, 2009

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF CALLAHAN COUNTY

The Meeting of the Commissioner's Court was held at its regular meeting place in the Courthouse on May 28, 2009 A.D., with the following officers present to wit:

Roger Corn, Judge Presiding

Harold Hicks, Commissioner Precinct No. 1

Bryan Farmer Commissioner Precinct No. 2

Tom Windham, Commissioner Precinct No. 3

Cliff Kirkham, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

Dianne Gunter, County Treasurer

Donna Bell, County Clerk, and ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court and the following items of business were transacted:

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Judge Corn. All Commissioners were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and signed.

Under Public Comments- None

Sheriff John Windham gave the Sheriff's Report for the Month of May. Exhibit

Commissioner Kirkham made a motion to make the Constable Positions in J.P. Precinct 1 and J.P. Precinct 3 dormant. Commissioner Farmer seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0

Veterans Service Officer Tom Ivey gave the annual V.A. Report for the year 2008. Exhibit

There was discussion by the Court of the progress on the O.R.C.A. award of bid for road disaster repair. No action.

Commissioner Farmer made a motion to pay the approved bills. Commissioner Kirkham seconded the motion which then passed 5-0

Commissioner Hicks made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Windham and carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 A.M.

Roger Corn,
County Judge

The foregoing minutes were read and approved this ____ day of _____, 2009

Donna Bell,
County Clerk

Also attending:
Sheriff John Windham
Veterans Service Officer Tom Ivey

**CALLAHAN COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE
DEPUTY DAILY
PATROL LOG**

Callahan County Sheriff's Office

Monthly Report: May
Total Miles Driven:

11,928

Arrests: 8

Agency Assists: 36

Business Checks: 24

Citizens Assists: 40

Other: 7

Citations: 14

Reports:

Offense: 20

Incident: 7

Traffic Stops: 34

Foot Patrols: 2

Non Report Calls: 45

During the month of May 2009 the Callahan County jail took in 37 subjects for incarceration by other agencies, as well as 2 additional persons on self committals. This combined with deputy arrests of 8 persons totals 47 persons incarcerated in the jail during the month of May.

Deputies worked a total of 20 criminal cases during the month of May. These cases included 3 for assaults, 2 for terroristic threat, 7 for theft, 1 for unattended death, 5 for criminal mischief, 1 for poss. Marijuana, and 1 for cruelty to animals.

Tom Ivey

Veterans Service Officer
Callahan County, Texas

VA EXPENDITURES IN
CALLAHAN COUNTY

Compensation & Pension; Education & Rehab.; Insurance & Indemnities; Totals

\$1,462,479; \$9,234;
\$99,649; \$1,571,362 FY 92
\$1,503,488; \$8,185;
\$85,438; \$1,597,111 FY 93
\$1,473,510; \$10,434;
\$94,789; \$1,578,733 FY 94
\$1,640,099; \$37,516;
\$95,414; \$1,773,129 FY 95
\$1,747,180; \$67,560;
\$98,557; \$1,913,297 FY 96
\$1,953,125; \$59,238;
\$97,956; \$2,110,319 FY 97
\$1,799,805; \$55,208;
\$97,217; \$1,952,230 FY 98
\$1,912,169; \$49,703;
\$93,917; \$2,055,789 FY 99
\$1,984,240; \$52,258;

\$93,552; \$2,130,060 FY 2000

\$2,105,506; \$88,640;

\$92,816; \$2,286,962 FY 01

\$2,490,000; \$64,000;

\$90,000; \$2,644,000 FY 02

\$2,845,671; \$50,424;

\$95,923; \$2,992,018 FY 03

\$2,996,883; \$68,375;

\$96,118; \$3,161,375 FY 04

\$3,344,000; \$101,000;

\$92,000; \$3,538,000 FY 05

\$3,527,000; \$122,000; not

listed; \$3,649,000 FY 06**

\$3,576,000; \$136,000;

\$46,000; \$3,758,000 FY

07**

\$4,157,000; \$99,000;

\$44,000; \$4,300,000 FY

08**

**VA reports additional expenditure of \$1,634,000 in FY 08

On Medical Care for Callahan County. This is down from the \$2,021,000 in FY 07 and \$1,714,000 in FY 06.

The large increase in

Compensation & Pension payments is questionable when compared with prior years. VA assures us that "Expenditures presented at the county level for compensation, pension, education and vocational rehabilitation reflect the dollar value of actual payments made to individuals." There are five other Texas Counties with an estimated Veterans population of plus or minus 100 from Callahan's 1,527. Payments to individuals in these counties range from \$1,897,000 to \$4,261,000 vs Callahan's \$4,300,000. These five counties are Colorado, Jackson, Maverick, Robertson and Young. This office assisted 382 people in 2008 (C150, B169, XP63), down from the 434 in 2007. Requests for help are increasing as a result of economic conditions in our great country. We will continue to do our best for those who are entitled to benefits.

Clyde Man Wins Baird Project Graduation Raffle

The drawing for a \$1000 Wal-Mart gift card was held Monday, May 4th at Baird High School. The winner was Robert Dowse of Clyde. Baird High School seniors and their parents want to thank Mr. Dowse

and everyone who purchased raffle tickets. Your generosity made it possible for the Class of 2009 to have a memorable drug and alcohol free graduation party.

Submitted by Catherine Brock

Rep. Neugebauer Recognizes Juneteenth

Washington, DC-- Congressman Randy Neugebauer issued the following statement in recognition of the Juneteenth celebration:

"On June 19th, we commemorate the anniversary of slaves in Galveston, Texas learning of the Emancipation Proclamation and we reflect on their contributions and the contributions their

descendants have made to our great country.

Over the last week, communities all over West Texas and the Big Country have come together to celebrate this important day.

We celebrate the great strides our country has made and make a promise to continue working to provide equality for all Americans."

Callahan Co. 4-H Shooting Sports Shotgun Team

The Callahan County 4-H Shooting Sports Shotgun team participated in the Taylor County 4-H Shotgun Shoot Saturday, June 13. The competition was held at the Abilene Clay Sports shooting range and although the temperature was hot, Callahan County had a very successful day. These 4-Hers posted several personal best scores, and Drucilla Meier shot a perfect round of trap (25 targets straight).

Official places were as follows:

Clay Doss placed 2nd in

Senior 1 Trap.

Anthony Koch placed 2nd in Junior 5-Stand, 2nd in Junior Skeet, and 4th in Junior Trap.

Drucilla Meier placed 3rd in Senior 1 Trap, 4th in Senior 1 Skeet, and was awarded Ladies High Overall in the Senior 1 division.

Hunter Patterson placed 1st in Senior 1 5-Stand.

Mary Seay placed 4th in Intermediate Skeet, 4th in Intermediate 5-Stand, and was awarded Ladies High Overall in the Intermediate division.

DPS Report

6-14-09 to 6-20-09

CASES INVESTIGATED

Warnings- 100

Complaints- 44

ACCIDENTS

There were 2 accidents investigated during this time span.

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ELEMENTAL MEDICINE

In his debut collection, poet Fady Joudah combines rich imagery with his experiences working for Doctors Without Borders.

By Averill Curdy
Poetry Media Services

The Earth in the Attic, by Fady Joudah. Yale University Press. \$16.00.

Fady Joudah's book, *The Earth in the Attic*, won the 2007 Yale Series of Younger Poets prize. While reliance upon image is rooted in early traditions of Arabic poetry, the use of image in Joudah's work feels reminiscent of the Deep Image poetry of the '60s, where it acted as an enlarging gesture intended to resonate from the silence of the pages' white spaces. Similarly, his images can be tinged with surrealism, which is apt given that the landscapes he writes about are those of exile, loss, and peril, in which the experience is one of disorientation and displacement.

Though never specifically named, the poems' landscapes suggest Darfur, where Joudah practiced medicine as a member of Doctors Without Borders, and the landscapes of his own exile as a Palestinian American, whether nostalgic or alienating. Sometimes this refusal registers as a kind of frustrating decorum, but when combined with his gift for image (which can also be read as a form of tact), Joudah's best poems reach for and achieve a mythic quality in which the elemental is revealed below the ordinary details, as in these lines from "Atlas":

Let me tell you a fable:

Why the road is lunar
Goes back to the days when strangers
Sealed a bid from the despot to build
The only path that courses through
The desert of the people.

The tyrant secretly sent
His men to mix hand grenades
With asphalt and gravel,
Then hid the button
That would detonate the road.

These are villages and these are trees
A thousand years old,
Or the souls of trees,
Their high branches axed and dangled

Like lynched men flanking the wadis.
The poem concludes: "If you believe the hoopoe / Is good omen, // The driver says, / Then you are one of us."

As admirable as these poems are, they can feel circumscribed in their technical means. Even reading the book for the first time, I found myself longing for greater variety of tone, music, rhythm, and syntax. What some readers will call incantatory began to feel, at times, somewhat repetitive, making me appreciate those moments when a more colloquial voice, usually another speaker, was introduced in a poem, as in "An Idea of Return." This juxtaposition provides a revivifying counterpoint to the more interior, lyrical voice of the poet. I also found that the dreamlike quality of Joudah's images can seem random or obscure, the associative link lost through imprecise grammar or syntax, as in these lines, also from "Atlas":

the dust gnaws
At your nostrils like a locust cloud
Or a helicopter thrashing the earth,
Wheat grains peppering the sky.
I sorted it out, but my first couple of reads left me with the image of nostrils thrashed by a helicopter.

My intention here isn't to nitpick—neither dream nor myth necessarily release their meanings easily. At times, however, I felt abruptly thrust from the world of the poem when, rather than deepening the experience, an image called attention to itself and to the poet's image-generating capacity. And while no language is off-limits to poetry, Joudah sometimes makes use of a medical lexicon that is natural to him as a doctor, but that doesn't always feel fully naturalized to the poems. These occlusions reduce the power of his work, which needs to be received whole and unadulterated, viscerally, relying as it does on the sensuous and intuitive mode of image rather than, say, argument.

Joudah's poetry—courageous, yet constricted by limits either real or imagined—reveals the difficulties of writing poetry during a time when the imagination and its works are opposed by various fundamentalisms: economic, which reduces art to what it earns; political, which scorns its lack of utility; and religious, which fears its ambiguities. And while the poet finds a way around these challenges, the significant sacrifices—of intensity, of rhetorical flexibility and depth—suggest that these are indeed the poems for our distracted, balkanized, and lonely time.

The poems of 2007 NEA Grant recipient Averill Curdy have been published widely, including in *Pushcart Prizes 2007*. This article first appeared in *Poetry* magazine. Distributed by the Poetry Foundation at www.poetryfoundation.org.

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20 lines,

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Fiction or Non

Each entry with brief biography notes. All must be family oriented; no smut, slander or liable material.

Words To Use:

Desinent: Something that is ending or terminating is this, especially written articles on obscure words that are closing until next issue.

Epitonic: This adjective can be applied to any noun, like a water dam, that is subjected to adverse strain that caused failure. It can even be used for words that pressure the mind for understanding.

Perihelion: This is a fake sun. It can be a light like a halo that is seen at a point opposite where the sun is. Don't look at the real sun, or a mock sun with your bare eyes.

Rapaceus: This is something that looks like a turnip, especially the shape of a turnip. Find a way to use this word in a novel, and you will get good at writing.

Scrutator: This is a person who investigates, They scrutinize. It has been used by people for those who canvas election results. It is not known here if there is a Farsi (Iran) language equivalent for this.

What The Matter Was

Perplexed I rose as on padded paws
Slipped outside to see what the matter was
Twas a tap tap tapping on my glass
A very rude invasion of my sash.

Through the light green sheers we saw a bird
His speckled wings so soft no sound was heard
'Twas not a tapping nor a rapping
But was a pecking that stirred my napping.

Retreating to a nearby tree there
Was made to feel uneasy to be there
Wood-outs or termites we suspected
We were found to be so misdirected.

He saw an incursion of his turf
And everything he did made matters worse
His reflection met inspection quick
Maybe we need to get the ole boy fixed.

- Weldon L. Smith

Threnos

Beauty, truth, and rarity,
Grace in all simplicity,
Here enclosed cindfrs lie.

Death is now the phoenix' nest;
And the turtle's loyal breast
To eternity doth rest,

Leaving no posterity:
'Twas not their infirmity,
It was married chasity.

Truth may seem, but cannot be;
Beauty brag, but'tis not she;
Truth and beauty buried be.
To this urn let those repair
Tht are either rue or fair;
For these dead birds sigh prayer.

-William Shakespeare
1564-1616

American Life In Poetry

BY TED KOOSER, U.S. POET LAUREATE, 2004-2006

Coleman Barks, who lives in Georgia, is not only the English language's foremost translator of the poems of the 13th century poet, Rumi, but he's also a loving grandfather, and for me that's even more important. His poems about his granddaughter, Briny, are brim full of joy. Here's one:

Glad

In the glory of the gloaming-green soccer
field her team, the Gladiators, is losing

ten to zip. She never loses interest in
the roughhouse one-on-one that comes

every half a minute. She sticks her leg
in danger and comes out the other side running.

Later a clump of opponents on the street is chant-
ing, WE WON, WE WON, WE . . . She stands up

on the convertible seat holding to the wind-
shield. WE LOST, WE LOST BIGTIME, TEN TO

NOTHING, WE LOST, WE LOST. Fist pumping
air. The other team quiet, abashed, chastened.

Good losers don't laugh last; they laugh
continuously, all the way home so glad.

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Rhymes To Use:

Peacekeeper
Beeper
Innkeeper
Cheaper
Zuchinni
Meanie
Beanie

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5. Please address all submissions to:

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Men In Service

Johnny M. Baker

Army Pvt. Johnny M. Baker has graduated from Basic Combat Training at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission and received instruction and training exercises in drill and ceremonies, Army history, core values and traditions, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, rifle marksmanship,

weapons use, map reading and land navigation, foot marches, armed and unarmed combat, and field maneuvers and tactics.

Baker is the son of Johnny Baker of Greenbriar Drive, Clyde, Texas, and Sheila Blecker of N. West St., Merkel, Texas.

The private is a 2008 graduate of Merkel High School.

Clyde Student Named To Texas A&M Honor Roll

COLLEGE STATION, June 22, 2009 – Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the spring 2009 semester, recognizing them for outstanding academic performance.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours during the spring semester who have maintained a 3.75 or higher grade point (GPR) out of a possible 4.0.

A second designation, "Distinguished Student," recognizes those who earned a 3.5 to 3.74 GPR while taking at least 15 hours for the spring semester.

Among those recognized were:

Name: REBECCA RAE KORZENIEWSKI
Class: SENIOR
Hometown: CLYDE, TX
Zipcode: 79510-7209
Degree 1: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE - CIVIL ENGINEERING
DEAN'S HONOR ROLL

May Egg Production Down 2 Percent From A Year Ago

USDA National Agriculture Statistics Service

Austin- May 2009 egg production in Texas totaled 394 million eggs, down 2 percent from May 2008 and down 1 percent from April 2009, according to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office.

The number of layers during May averaged 17.6 million, down 3 percent from last year and down 3 percent from April 2009. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,236 eggs, up 1 percent from last year's 2,002 eggs and up 2 percent from last month.

Texas hatchery production of broiler-type chicks totaled 57.1 million, up 1 percent from last year.

United States egg production totaled 7.60 billion eggs during May 2009, up slightly from a year ago. Production included a 6.51 billion table eggs, 1.09 billion broiler-type hatching eggs and 73 million egg-type hatching eggs.

Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 337 million during May 2009, down 1 percent from a year ago. Production per 100 layers was 2,256 eggs, up 1 percent from May 2008.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 37.8 million, down 10 percent from May 2008. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 786 million was down 5 percent from May of last year.

The leading U.S. breeders placed 7.40 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2009, down 10 percent from May 2008.

5K or 10K Getaway Run Planned

A June 27th "Getaway Run" is planned in conjunction with Baird's Market Daze.

Runners are invited to enter a 5K or 10K race to be held on Saturday, June 27th in Baird.

The starting and ending point will be at Baird T & P Depot Transportation Museum. Entry forms can be downloaded from abilerunners.com or they can be picked up at the Baird Chamber of Commerce.

Runners may register the day of the race, those registering after June 17th may not receive a race T-shirt.

89th Annual Pioneer Reunion

Dear Ex's:
The 89th Annual Pioneer Reunion will be held at the Cross Plains Cemetery Center June 27th. Beginning at 8:30 a.m. coffee and registration. Mid morning: Business Meeting and Cemetery Report.

Memorial for those we lost this year. At 12 noon lunch and visiting.

We hope to see you there!
For more info, call Frances Taylor 254-725-6739, Jim McCowen 254-725-4279 or May Alexander Jones 254-725-7188.

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Cisco 4th of July Celebration Saturday, July 4th

9:30 a.m. Parade

featuring the Field of Flags presented by ASB

9:30 p.m. Fireworks

Fireworks sponsored by Cisco College, Hargrave Insurance, Cisco Pump & Red Barn

The festivities at the city park announced previously have been cancelled

Texas Reading Club Schedule Announced

The Clyde Public Library is pleased to announce its schedule for Fun Thursday's at the library. The theme is "Libraries: Deep in the Heart of Texas". The programs are free and include stories, simple art projects, refreshments and goody bags.

Please call the library at 893-5315 to register your children for the "Tots Read-to-Me" programs for ages 2-4 (from 2 to 3 p.m. on Thursdays). The tots program will be led by Paula and Alison Britten again this year.

For children ages 5 and up, "Readers: Deep in the Heart of Texas" programs will run from 2 to 3 p.m. Thursdays with the following readers: June 25th- Our Favorite Books Deep in the Heart of Texas with John and Libby Belcher. July 2nd-Animals Deep in the Heart of Texas with Joy Hash from the Abilene Zoo. July 9th- Tall Tales Deep in the Heart of Texas with Charlene Broadfoot, and July 16th- Friendship Deep in the Heart of Texas with Cadet Girl Scout Troop - #7236 - and Scout Leader Rene Rose.

The Clyde Public Library is located Deep in the Heart of Clyde at 125 Oak St., and the phone number is 893-5315. Please call today to sign up for the summer reading programs.

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Commentary by Don Newbury

Keeping the Faith...

You remember the sign on the bookstore door when the business went south: "Words Failed Us."

That pretty much describes our reflection on the blurry weeks involving diagnosis/surgery/convalescence faced recently. By way of short review, my wife, Brenda, is ahead of schedule as she works back toward driving a car, lifting more than 20 pounds and resuming every day life following a bilateral mastectomy on June 3.

She was undergirded by a deep faith, the prayers of many and innumerable acts of kindness. I would wax poetic theologically if only I

knew more theology. Like the guy who doesn't know art but knows what he likes, I join my wife in being overwhelmed by gracious acts of friends who are living out Christ's teachings...

Brenda's prognosis is excellent. Comforted by doctors' findings, we now are free to sort out dream-like moments in the surgery waiting room. Some comments that lightened hearts at the time, in retrospect, provide wider grins as time from her surgery now is weeks instead of days.

Foreexample: Dominating the bunch of three dozen or

so in our corner of the large waiting area were members of our Sunday school class, mostly 70-somethings. Some of us there wore "we've had it" looks on furrowed brows, fitting cowboys' descriptions of "rode hard and put up wet."

A majority had seen the snows of many winters, these friends with heads topped with graying hair, or, in some cases, nary a strand at all...

One was Raymond West. He surveyed the crowd, then, with one sentence, reduced tensions.

"From the looks of the crowd, it seems to me that if a feller set up a Metamucil stand up here, he'd make a killing."

Point taken....

Our caring daughters were faced with the need

to disrupt their daily schedules in deference to their mom's surgery. Included were last-minute calls for child-sitters, etc.

Jeanie, about to dash out the door to the hospital, detected a sheepish look on the face of four-year-old Jonah. Dick Tracy-types aren't needed to get the truth from preschoolers, a truism Jeanie now knows.

"I've been splashing on a Dad's cologne," he admitted. "Carly's coming over, and I want to smell good for her so she'll follow me around." Carly is the four-year-old daughter of a family friend coming over to "kid-sit"...

Jana, our Tyler daughter who has made numerous trips to the Metroplex of late to see her mom, was flustered the other day upon hearing an unfamiliar cell phone ring in her home.

She traced it to her luggage. (Now quit filling in the blanks, and let me finish the paragraph!)

Yes, it was MY cell phone that had fallen into her suitcase, and yes, she sent it back with overnight delivery. She even provided a new temporary message, explaining to callers that the phone was on a Fed-Ex truck somewhere between Tyler and the Metroplex. Yes, I reimbursed her for the

cost of shipping the phone. The figure was considerably more than the value of my archaic cell phone which is heavy enough to weigh down whatever side of my clothes in which it rests....

Grandparents, by the trainloads, wince when their kids' kids say or do something to jump the tracks. This in mind, it should be trumpeted when they "do good."

Brittin, our granddaughter who just turned five, took her mom's instructions seriously as they entered the Harris Hospital parking garage. "I have much on my mind," Julie, her mom, said. "It is your job to remember where to find our car."

The garage has numbered levels, each of which is named for animals, perhaps so pre-schoolers can help befuddled parents find their cars. Later, when they returned to the garage, Brittin confidently pushed the correct elevator button. They exited the elevator and she hopped, bunny-like, toward their car. "It was easy to remember, Mom," she said. "You parked exactly nine hops from the elevator on the jackrabbit floor..."

Dr. Newbury is a speaker and writer in the Metroplex. He welcomes inquiries and comments. Email: newbury@speakerdoc.com Phone: 817-447-3872. Website: www.speakerdoc.com.

Baird Market Daze Sign-Ups Underway

All local vendors, individuals and organizations interested in participating in the annual Market Daze in downtown Baird are asked to contact the Chamber of Commerce.

Plans for the Saturday, June 27th event sponsored by the Chamber are coming together as the Chamber board and Museum workers tie up loose ends for the usual activities as well as some special projects. New events are expected to attract a large crowd this year. More details will be announced in the coming weeks.

Space should be reserved as soon as possible. Booth fees are \$20.00 for 10 x 10 space and \$30.00 for a 10 x 20 space.

Call the Baird Chamber at 854-2003, or come by the office at the T & P Depot.

Baird Trade Daze Sat.

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Obituaries

O.N. "Red" Myatt

HAMBY- O.N. "Red" Myatt, 85, of Hamby, died Thursday, June 18, 2009.

Services were held Saturday, June 20, 2009 at 2 p.m. at North's Memorial Chapel with Dr. Herb Wood officiating. Burial followed in Round Mound Cemetery, directed by North's Funeral Home.

Red was born July 30, 1923 to Oscar and Nell Myatt in Callahan County. He moved to Jones County in 1945.

He was a stock farmer for over 50 years. He married Desma Hale on April 13, 1985 in Mt. Vernon, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; two brothers; one sister and one step-son.

Survivors are a step-daughter, Gail Bright of Hamby and his four step-grandchildren, Mitzy Pearson, Rowdy Bright, Karlie Burt and Jeremy Rule.

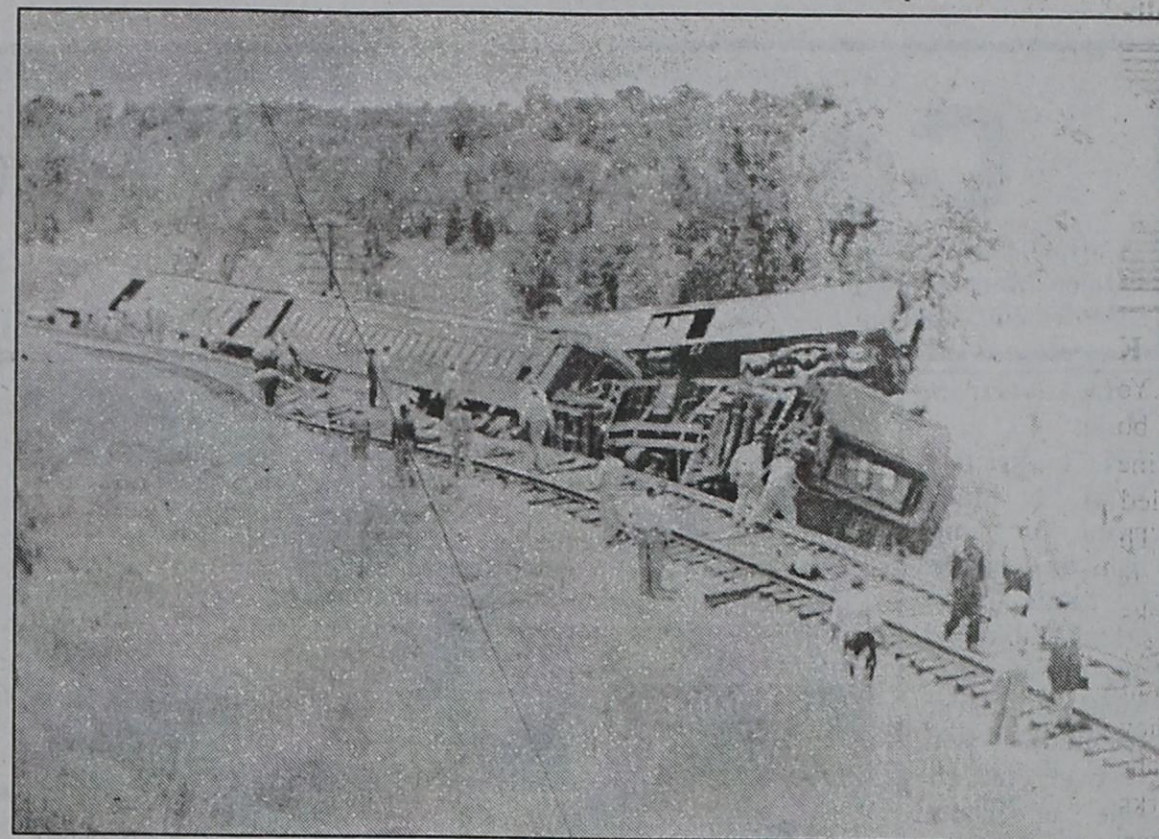
Festival By The Lake In Clyde July 4th

A large crowd is expected at Clyde Lake on Saturday, July 4th during the City of Clyde's Festival by the Lake Fourth of July Celebration, with food, music and a fireworks display over the lake at dark.

The 4th of July celebration will actually begin the day before when cook-off teams will begin preparation for this year's cook-off. The cook-off team entry deadline is 5 p.m. Friday, July 3rd and teams will be judged in three meat categories, including ribs, chicken and brisket. Entry fee for this year's cook-off is \$60 for all three categories or \$20 for each individual category. Two other categories to be judged this year are "Jackpot beans" and "Jackpot dessert".

There will also be other activities throughout the day.

For more information contact the Clyde Chamber of Commerce.



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GARAGE SALES

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THANK YOU

I had an article put in the paper about a month ago that Darla French and Karen Patton threw me a party...I didn't exaggerate. I also would like to thank everyone that purchased bracelets and T-shirts and coozies. They were selling them and I didn't even know it at the time. I would like to thank everyone that participated in purchasing these goods! God bless you all! Tracy Maynard

The family of Jack Graham was so overwhelmed by the procession of his funeral that there is

THANK YOU

not enough space to write out how moved we all were. He was a "Hero" to everyone in my family! He would have been so proud of how well it did go. He is in a much better place now; we do know that. First of all, we would like to thank Edwards Funeral Home for all of their support, especially Phyllis and Terry, who are close friends of the family. As a matter of fact "Daddy Jack" used to call a few of the firemen his sons, with Terry being one of them! To all of the firemen which were dressed so fittingly from all of the surrounding departments and to the Haltom City Honor Guard that came down to help out, we give gratitude. To the Eastland Fire Department...this great send-off wouldn't have been possible without all of you and we deeply appreciate all you did! Also, to all of the officers that were in uniform and helped in leading him through town one last time- it was a wonderful sight! To Gordon Woolam, who read Phillip Arther's letter, Frank Saylor, and Terry Edwards, thank you for the wonderful eulogy; who thought that Frank was just an average guy (his voice is fabulous)! To all of our Pallbearers which included Bill Dolen, Ray Darden, Wendell Tipton, Steve Tone, Scott Brinkley and Wendell Light- a lot of you said that you were honored but we were truly honored, as he would have been. He thought a lot of each of you men! To all of his co-workers from Victor Cornelius and the Courthouse, we thank you for all of your support. We would also like to thank Hospice of the Big Country, towards the end they truly helped him go in peace. We would like to especially thank the

Courthouse family for purchasing our family dinner after the funeral! We think it was an amazing send-off and we couldn't be prouder of him. He was a very proud man, and the last 2 years of his life had not been so grand. So this really was GREAT comfort for us to see! It's nice to know that so many in the community agree with us on our thoughts of him. So from the family... MANY THANKS!!! Tommy and Jackie (Graham) Maynard Connie (Graham) Underwood Susan Graham Frances Graham Tracy Maynard Jason and Kimberly Maynard Toby Maynard and all of the grandchildren and rest of the family

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This isn't to say that blueberries can turn back the hands of time, but they may help slow down some of the typical side effects of aging, most notably diminished mental capacity. In a USDA Human Nutrition Research Center laboratory study, researchers fed blueberry extractions to lab mice. The extractions were the equivalent of a human eating one cup of blueberries per day. The mice were then run through a series of motor tests. The mice who were given the blueberry extractions performed better than the control group on motor functions and memory. They also showed an increase of exploratory behavior.

The antioxidant components of blueberries that give them their vivid color help reduce oxidative stress, as observed after looking at the brains of the treated mice. Oxidative stress is damage to cell membranes and DNA from free radicals. Antioxidants are known to find and eradicate free radicals. Oxidative stress is thought to be a main culprit in many of the dysfunctions and diseases common to aging.

Because of their neurological, motor-function link, blueberries may be essential to reducing the severity of neurological diseases, such as Alzheimer's and other dementias.

Stay Healthy During Grilling Season

When it comes to warm weather parties, few ideas are more popular than a backyard barbecue. However, as enjoyable as such gatherings can be, they can cause problems as well, particularly if certain steps aren't taken when it comes to cooking and handling food.

* **Clean your hands:** Most backyard barbecues feature a host of standard fare when it comes to the menu. Burgers, steaks, hot dogs, and poultry are some of the most popular items. If you're handling raw meat and poultry, wash your hands between touching the meat and then touching the poultry.

* **Don't marinate outside:**

Any good grillmaster knows that the key to a successful barbecue is how well the food is marinated. If marinating food for an extended period of time, keep the food refrigerated while marinating. Also, be sure not to apply leftover marinade to food that's already cooked. If you're wary of wasting the marinade, boil it before applying to cooked food. The boiling will remove any bacteria left in the marinade by the raw meat or chicken.

* **Use a meat thermometer:** Many grill chefs have heard cries that their food isn't cooked well enough. Typically, this is heard after someone puts all the fixin's on their food. That can make

continuing to cook the food a messy ordeal. To avoid such instances, use a meat thermometer on burgers and steaks. In general, burgers should be cooked to 160 F, while meats such as steaks, roasts or london broil can be cooked to 145 F (medium rare) or 160 F (medium). Undercooked poultry can be especially dangerous, so cook to 170 F.

* **Change utensils and plates:** Once the food is cooked or if you're checking to see if it's finished, don't use the same utensils to remove or check food that you used to place it on the grill. Also, carry the uncooked food out on one plate, and present cooked

food on another plate to avoid food contamination.

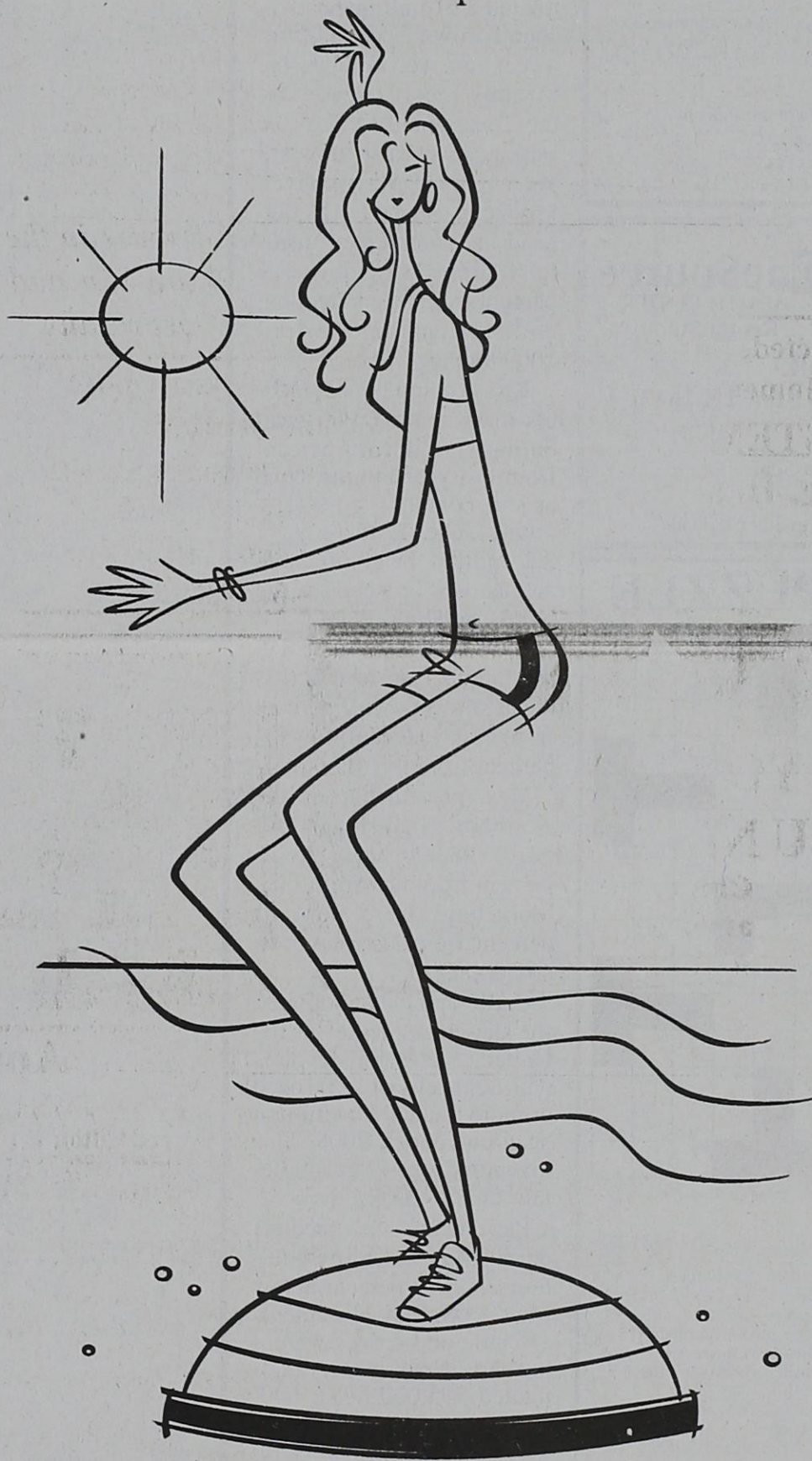
* **Heat a charcoal grill properly:** If you prefer to use a charcoal grill, make sure the coals are heated for 20 to 30 minutes before you put any food on the grill. Coals should not still be black if you're about to commence cooking. Instead, they should be gray.

* **For tailgaters,** cool your food as well: Grilling out isn't confined to summertime or backyards. Sports fans across the nation often take their grills to the stadium and tailgate before the big game. In such cases, make sure you bring a food-only cooler along. Keep food separated and refrigerated in the cooler and until it's time to do some cooking.



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BODY FACT:

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ANSWER: MELANOMA

New Word

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How they SAY that in...

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SPANISH: Piel

ITALIAN: Pelle

FRENCH: Peau

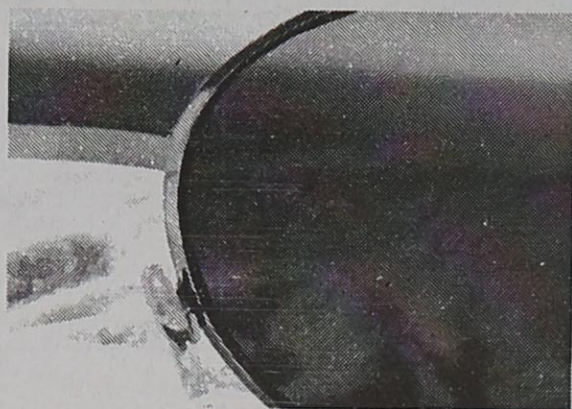
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Clyde Jr. Cheerleading Sign-ups

We are letting all children 4-12 who are interested in joining cheerleading for the 2009 season know we are getting an early start.

Summer is a busy time of year, so we want everyone to have the chance to get the information and practice needed for a great season. We are still in need of a few coaches and have board representative positions available. If you are interested, please let us know at sign-ups. Coach and assistant coach positions are available.

Pre-season sign-ups will be Thursday, June 25th from 6-8 p.m. at the Pizza House; Saturday, July 4th from 6-8 p.m. at the Clyde Lake; Saturday, July 11th from 1-3 p.m. at the Pizza House.

June 1 Cattle On Feed Down 3 Percent From Last Year

The deadline for any later registration if you cannot be present at one of the sign-ups is July 12th. Uniforms will be ordered July 13th.

We have lowered our registration fee for 2009. It is \$65.00 a child. Each child will also be responsible for helping with one fundraiser for the season.

Children need to be present for sizing at sign ups and please bring a copy of their birth certificate. Cheerleading instruction videos will be available at sign-ups for \$12.00. These videos/DVD's will include all the cheers for ages 4-12. Please watch the local paper for any changes or additions.

Email address: clydecheer@yahoo.com, or Margo Vinson at 439-5150, or Tamsey Frazier at 725-3719.

Callahan County Riding Club

The 2009 Callahan County Riding Club season began in May at the arena on FM 603 in Eula with other dates throughout the summer.

Everyone is encouraged to come out to these playdays.

The schedule for the 2009 season is below. All regularly scheduled play days will begin with trainers/exhibitions at 6:30 and the events beginning at 7 p.m. Check us out on the web for updates at hyperlink <http://www.callahancountyridingclub.com>

June Dates: Saturday, June 27th; Sunday, June 28th (NBHA)

August Dates: Saturday, August 8th; Saturday, August 15th; Saturday, August 22nd; Saturday, August 29th.

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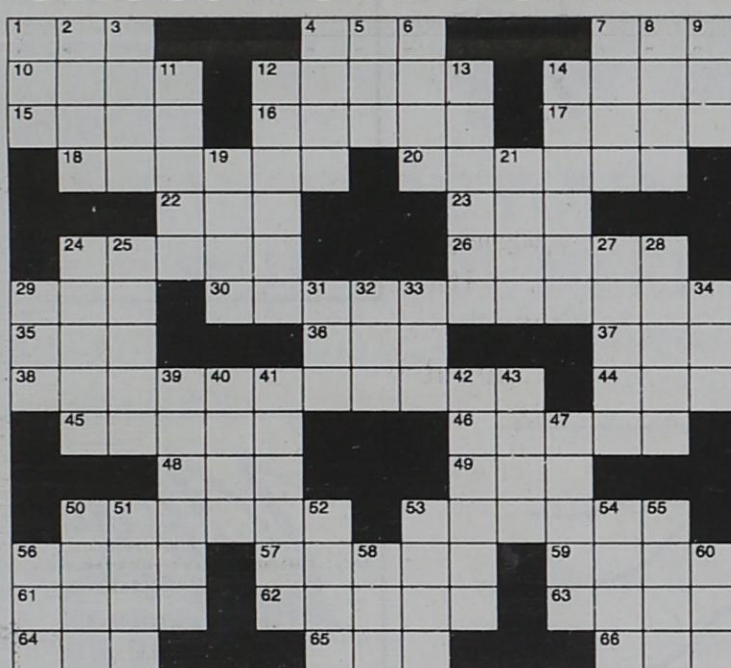
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- Give clear expression to
- Tomei, actress
- Tall hardwood tree
- Actress Ryan
- Not true
- Organic compounds
- Hill (Celtic)
- Apprehension
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USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service

Austin- Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.61 million head on June 1, down 3 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was also down 3 percent from May 1 level. Producers placed 455,000 head in commercial feedlots during May, down 19 percent from a year ago, but up 15 percent from the April 2009 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 510,000 head during May, down 7 percent from last year but the same as last month.

One June 1, there were 2.2 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 84 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down 3 percent from last year and down 2 percent from the May total.

May placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 398,000 head, up 15 percent from the April total. Marketings were down 1 percent from last month to 431,000 head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 10.4 million head on June 1, 2009. This inventory was 4 percent below June 1, 2008.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 1.64 million head, 14 percent below May 2008. May placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 395,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 305,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 433,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 505,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 1.95 million head, 9 percent below 2008.

Swimming pools can be very dangerous for children.

Help protect your children from drowning by doing the following:

- Never leave your children alone in or near the pool, even for a moment. An adult who knows CPR should actively supervise children at all times.
- Practice touch supervision with children younger than 5 years. This means that the adult is within an arm's length of the child at all times.
- Install a fence at least 4 feet high around all 4 sides of the pool. Use gates that self-close and self-latch, with latches higher than your children's reach.
- Keep rescue equipment (such as a shepherd's hook or life preserver) and a telephone by the pool.
- Do not use air-filled "swimming aids" as a substitute for approved life vests.
- Remove all toys from the pool after use so children aren't tempted to reach for them.
- After the children are done swimming, secure the pool so they can't get back into it.

Source: American Academy of Pediatrics, at <http://www.aap.org/family/tippool.htm>

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