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## Callahan County Library News

New at the library are: *Vision in White\** Nora Roberts' *Brides Quartet Series #1*, *Wicked Prey\** Lucas Davenport, *Series #19* by John Sandford, *Wicked Game\** by sisters Lisa Jackson and Nancy Bush, *What to do About Alice? (Roosevelt)* by Barbara Kerley, and Jeff Kinney's *#3 Diary of a Wimpy Kid: the Last Straw*. These books were purchased with Loan Star Libraries Grant money, \*denotes Large Print books.

Some donated books new to the library are: *Killer Instinct* by Joseph Finder, *All I Need is You* by Johanna Lindsey, *The Memory of Running* by Ron McLarty, *Your Best Life Now* by Joel Osteen, and *Shiny Water* by Anna Salter.

From the Past

Callahan County Clarendon

July 3, 1880

Vol. 1, No. 38

Mr. Withers, the townsite locator of the T & P railroad is in town.

Mrs. Justin Cook is at present visiting relatives and friends at her old home in Michigan.

A petition is in circulation asking for a money order office at Belle Plain. This will be a great convenience to the public.

Dr. Eli Thayer and family left last Tuesday for his future home in Boston, Mass. We wish them a pleasant trip and prosperous future.

One hundred and twenty-six registered letters have been sent from the Belle Plain Post Office for the quarter ending June 30, 1880, and the business is constantly on the increase.

There is to be a celebration at Hall's Camp on the railroad near Powell and Wagoner's sheep ranch tomorrow the Fourth of July to which all the residents of Belle Plain and vicinity have been kindly invited. We are glad that some one has taken the matter in hand to celebrate the anniversary of our national Independence. We hope every body will go and have a good time.

The Belle Plain school under the tutorship of Prof. W. Jett Norman, opened last Monday morning. We are much pleased at this as Belle Plain should have a school all the time, and we hope the Prof. will be able to maintain one in a good and flourishing condition in our midst. This week has been spent in organizing and systematizing the school. We think the prospects for getting a good attendance are flattering.

Mr. E.B. Smith has moved his carpenter shop to Ed. Northrop's building, next door to the Clarendon office.

Mr. Frank Collins opened his new saloon on last Thursday. To say his place is neat and cosy does not half express it. He has one of the finest saloons and billiards halls this side of Dallas. The workmanship displayed in making and painting his bar counter and other furniture certainly reflects much credit upon our mechanics and artists. Go and see for yourselves.

### The Cracked Liberty Bell



John Marshall on July 8, 1835, and ceased to fulfill its intended purpose. However, it did become a national symbol.

The original Liberty Bell was cast by Thomas Lister of London and bore the inscription from Leviticus 25:10: "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof." The Liberty Bell was cracked while tolling for the funeral of Chief Justice

### DPS Report

6-21-09 to 6-27-09

CASES INVESTI-

GATED

Warnings- 171

Complaints- 28

Driving While License

Invalid- 1



Have a Safe  
July 4th

### Order Prohibiting Use of Fireworks

On June 5, 2009, the Commissioners Court adopted the following order effective immediately:

#### ORDER

#### PROHIBITING USE OF FIREWORKS

IN

#### UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY

A. A person commits an offense if he or she intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly detonates, ignites, or in any way uses fireworks on a county road or in the right-of-way of a county road.

B. If the landowners' permission is obtained prior thereto, persons may detonate, ignite, or use fireworks on private property in unincorporated areas of the county, as long as:

1. The person using the fireworks is not intoxicated as defined in Vernon's Act. Civ. St. Art 62011-1 (a) (2),
2. Reasonable precautions are taken concerning proximity to structures and flammable vegetation,
3. Children are adequately supervised by adults,
4. Water is readily available for extinguishing fires.

C. An offense under this Order is a Class C Misdemeanor punishable by fine up to \$500.00.

APPROVED THIS 5TH DAY OF JUNE, 2009, BY THE CALLAHAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

Roger Corn

CALLAHAN COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

Donna Bell

COUNTY CLERK

## Festival By The Lake In Clyde July 4th

All are invited to 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".

It was reported that 19 teams have signed up for the cook-off six more teams than the 13 that entered last year.

The judging of the cook-off will start beginning at 11 a.m. Saturday the 4th beginning with the beans category. Desserts will be at 12 noon, followed by chicken at 1 p.m. and ribs at 2 p.m. Ribs will be judged at 3 p.m. The award ceremony will be at 4 p.m.

There is also a bass tournament planned at Clyde Lake. Instead of teams, this year's fishing tournament will be individual entry only. Entry fee will be \$20 and sign-up will be available up until the morning

tournament start beginning at 6 a.m. on Saturday. There will be cash prizes awarded to first and second place and for the biggest three-fish stringer. There will be a Big Bass prize and the entry fee for it is \$5.00.

There are five bands scheduled to play at this year's festival.

There will also be other activities throughout the day such as children's games like water balloon and egg toss. A volleyball tournament and washer pitching tournament. Sign-ups for the games will begin at 12 noon.

The City of Clyde will not charge an entry fee to this year's celebration, however the City of Clyde will be taking donations at the gate to the entrance at Clyde Lake. The City of Clyde is also taking cash donations for any local individual or businesses for this year's festival.

There will be food and craft booths also.

So come on out to Clyde Lake for your 4th of July enjoyment.

For more information contact the Clyde Chamber of Commerce.

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF CALLAHAN

### ORDER PROHIBITING CERTAIN FIREWORKS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court has determined that during the July 4th fireworks season the rural acreage in the county not under cultivation for a period of at least twelve months are determined to be extremely hazardous for the danger of fire because of high grass and dry vegetation and allows the Commissioners Court of a county to prohibit the sale or use of restricted fireworks in specific areas in Callahan County; and

WHEREAS, on the 5 day of June, 2009, the Commissioners Court of Callahan County has determined that the normal danger of fire in the unincorporated areas of Callahan County is greatly enhanced by the extremely dry conditions now existing.

NOW, THEREFORE, the commissioners Court of Callahan County adopts this Order prohibiting the use of restricted fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Callahan County.

A. No person may detonate, ignite, or in any way use fireworks classified under 49 C.F.R. part. 173.100(r)(2) (10-1-86 edition), as "skyrockets with sticks" and "Missiles with fins" in any portion of the unincorporated area of Callahan County.

B. This Order does not prohibit:

1. Common fireworks, small in size classified as Class C explosives;
2. Large fireworks devices designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, deflagration, or detonation and classified as Class B explosive by the U.S. Dept. of Trans. [TEX. OCC. CODE, Chapter 2154].
3. The sale of "skyrockets with sticks" and "missiles with fins".

C. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally violates a prohibition established by this Order. An offense under this order is a Class C Misdemeanor.

APPROVED THIS THE 5TH DAY OF JUNE, 2009, BY THE CHALLAHAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

Roger Corn

COUNTY JUDGE

Attest:

Donna Bell

COUNTY CLERK

## News For Veterans

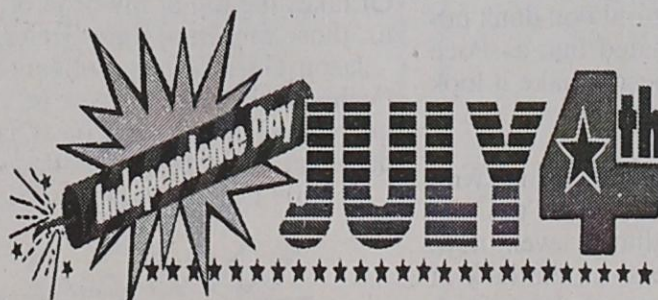
An obituary in the Abilene paper last week reminded the writer to again inform spouses of Veterans about one of their most important benefits. The deceased lady lost her husband when he was killed in combat. She was then eligible for the widow's benefit called DIC and could receive monthly payments until she remarried. Then, if the second marriage ended through death or divorce, she could resume payment of the DIC benefit based on the service connected death of the first husband. The present rate of payment is \$1,154.00 per month with a possible add-on of \$246.00 per month.

VA payments in Callahan County totaled \$4,300,000.00 in Fiscal Year 2008 (ended Sept. 30, 2008) which is an increase of \$542,000.00 over FY 2007. Payments for Educational and Insurance both

decreased slightly while Compensation & Pension increased by \$581,000.00. Compensation & Pension are payments made directly to Veterans, their survivors and/or dependents. A very nice stimulus!!! As a matter of interest, the total payments in FY 1992 were \$1,571,362. FY 92 was the first year on the job for your writer. We've enjoyed good fortune in securing increased benefits for our Veterans and their families. It has been a good trip!!!

### Scranton Musical Saturday, July 4

SCRANTON MUSICAL: The musical will be held on Saturday, July 4, 2009 at the community center. The kitchen will open at 5:30. The special will be bar-b-que sandwiches. We invite all area musicians to come out to play. Everyone can enjoy good music and a safe place to celebrate the fourth. Musicians may call 325-692-2057 to reserve a place for your group to play. Mark Ray will be the emcee.



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Poetry Media Service

GOING NEGATIVE

Why poetry reviews should be more skeptical. Jason Guriel Poetry Media Services Two Men Fighting with a Knife, Story Line Press. \$14.95.

The negative review is a curiosity, unique to anxious enclaves like the poetry world. It's not that people who review movies don't say harsh things—they do. But when a book of poetry receives a tough verdict we often label the review "negative" and speculate about the reviewer's motives, the agenda behind the takedown. Indeed, behind words like "negative" and "agenda" and "takedown" lurks the sense that the reviewer is the one making the trouble, and the book of poetry—whether it deserved a kicking or not—is being bullied.

Maybe poetry is so marginal, so fragile a commodity, we worry about kicking it when it's already pretty clearly down. Whatever the reason for our anxiety, the negative review is often more of an event than it ought to be. But negativity, I'm starting to think, needs to be the poetry reviewer's natural posture, the default position she assumes before scanning a single line. Because really, approaching every new book with an open mind is as well-meaning but ultimately exhausting as approaching every stranger on the street with open arms; you'll meet some nice people, sure, but your charming generosity won't be reciprocated most of the time. When braving any new book of poems—particularly by an author you're not too familiar with—it's best to brace yourself and expect the worst. This needn't involve cynicism. Indeed, you probably shouldn't be opening the book in the first place if you aren't, on some deep level, already hoping for the best—that is, the discovery of a great poem. But hope should remain on that deep level, well-protected, until the shell that shields it is genuinely jarred.

If you're frequently having the top of your head taken off—Emily Dickinson's description of what authentic poetry does—I'm glad for you. But you're reading better books than I am. And Emily, too. After all, the gist of her metaphor, it seems, is that such head injuries are by definition exceptional.

John Poch's second collection contains the sort of poetry that confronts most reviewers most often: poetry that's not especially bad but not especially good either—poetry, in other words, that should be guarded against at all costs.

And yet: there are some fine moments in Two Men Fighting with a Knife, and if I have reservations with the bulk of the book—and I do—they aren't meant to mitigate my praise. The opening sonnet, "The Ghost Town," appeared in the Paris Review and probably deserved to, which surely can't be said of most poems composed in any given quarter:

It need not be a desiccated wreck of boards, completely uninhabited, adobe bricks regressed to mud, hay. Heck, It might be verdant and jackrabbed.

The wind might not lament; the gift shop door could jingle bells, the jasmine candles wafting. Beyond some seniors at the convenience store, you might observe a fisherman shoplifting.

But say it's vacant and bunch grass gray. Then torch an image, scent, or song from your present life to reconstruct the step, the stairs, the porch, the house, town, two men fighting with a knife.

Much like the architecture of a sonnet: a step, and suddenly you die upon it. The robust alliteration ("hay. Heck") and chewy imagery ("bunch grass gray") offer instant pleasures, but the self-reflexive payoff—a risky move for a formal poem—succeeds in running the reader through on its final line.

Most of Poch's poems, though, aren't up to these standards. There are no out-and-out disasters; Poch's commitment to craft—to ensuring that his lines scan and rhyme—guarantees that the slightest of his works are always readable, even enjoyable (an advantage that mediocre formal verse has over mediocre free verse). However, it's this same commitment to craft, to satisfying a pre-imposed pattern, that can lead Poch's verse into subtle but costly contortions. The resulting limbo never falls on its face but nevertheless looks awkward, as demonstrated by the opening of "John Poch":

A smaller Jackson Pollock, my polar blues in cursive curse and scratch. A wasted fire to write myself lies scribbled, smolders. Moods instead of house-high flames' emotion mire a vision. Ink, they lie.

Frost's great innovation—a voice so natural you don't notice the iambs—remains much impersonated but, as Poch proves, rarely possessed. Poch simply doesn't make it look easy.

But finally, the real failing of Two Men Fighting with a Knife—a failing, to be fair, shared by most of the collections which smart, well-meaning editors, even now, are FedExing to their rosters of reviewers—is the lack of game-changing metaphors. Pan the verse of John Poch long enough and you'll uncover glints of gold like his description of a fork lying in "the shadow of a napkin's knee." But in the absence of such brilliant images, Poch's clever quatrains are just that—clever:

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Gravity acts on all bodies alike Regardless of shape size or density To the center it goes both heavy and light It's pulling down down down eternally.

Their falling is each so uniformly Without any pickups or any sports They follow a line of conformity Without burps jerks or any other quirks.

Horizontal motion affects it not Though a longer distance may be traveled Although some putters may tinker and plot Galileo's laws can't be unraveled.

- Weldon L. Smith Eastland, Texas

Words To Use Carefully

Bilabiate: This describes something that has two lips. Most animals have two lips.

Champerty: This is the crime with the intent of sharing the profit from the lawsuit of another person, and thereby aiding in the prosecution of that lawsuit.

Stabrary: This is the mine or place where tin is worked from the earth.

Triticoid: This is something that is like wheat. Maybe barley is triticoid.

Zoopery: This is the action where scientists experiment on lower animals. It is not clear what "lower" signifies in the meaning.

Tarassis: This is hysteria of the male. Perhaps it describes the emotion of the male hyena, or other male mammals. It has been known to occur in West Texas football coaches.

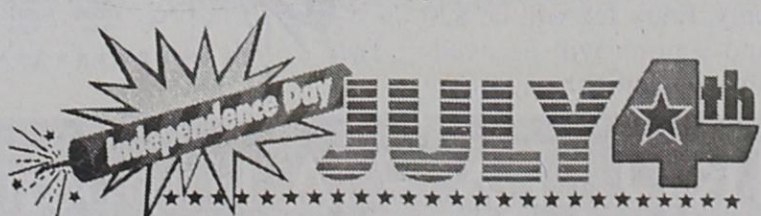
Dear Doctor, don't get me wrong. I adore my wife, but you looked inside me. Maybe it's the morphine talking, but love abounds in the surgeon's knife. Expect a card on February Fourteen.

Certainly Poch's subjects—desiccated Americana, the stepladder at the Strand Bookstore, spinal surgery—brim with potential, but his actual language—"I'm dead / yet want to open, close, and surprise / like a heart or sunset"—is business as usual.

"I sometimes think there is no good news about translation, ever," wrote Michael Hofmann recently. I sometimes think there is no good news about poetry, ever. Or today, anyway. That's negative, maybe, but that's how I know poetry exists: when I'm least expecting it, when everything's dross, when I've given up hope and have my head down—that's when the real stuff, like so much low-hanging plumbing, clocks me. Or takes the top of my head off. Or whatever poetry does to us, those rare, rare times we run into it. Stay positive.

Jason Guriel's new collection of poems is Pure Product (Véhicule Press). He lives in Toronto. This article first appeared in Poetry magazine. Distributed by the Poetry Foundation at www.poetryfoundation.org.

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American Life In Poetry

Column 223 BY TED KOOSER, U.S. POET LAUREATE, 2004-2006

There's lots of literature about the loss of innocence, because we all share in that loss and literature is about what we share. Here's a poem by Alexandra Teague, a San Franciscan, in which a child's awakening to the alphabet coincides with another awakening: the unsettling knowledge that all of us don't see things in the same way.

Language Lessons

The carpet in the kindergarten room was alphabet blocks; all of us fidgeting on bright, primary letters. On the shelf sat that week's inflatable sound. The "th" was shaped like a tooth. We sang about brushing up and down, practiced exhaling while touching our tongues to our teeth. Next week, a puffy U like an upside-down umbrella; the rest of the alphabet deflated. Some days, we saw parents through the windows to the hallway sky. "Look, a fat lady," a boy beside me giggled. Until then I'd only known my mother as beautiful.

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Rhyme and Sound Words:

- Universe Nurse Curse Rehearse Averse Worse Traverse

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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 Saturday, July 4th from 6-8 p.m. at the Clyde Lake; Saturday, July 11th from 1-3

**June Hog And Pig Inventory**

Austin- The June 1, 2009 Texas hog and pig inventory, at 1.01 million head, was down 6 percent from the June 2008 total of 1.07 million head.

The number of breeding hogs totaled 95,000 head, down from 105,000 in June 2008, according to figures released by the Texas Field Office.

The June 1 market hog inventory was down 5 percent from a year ago to 915,000 head, 91 percent of the total hog and pig inventory. The inventory of market hogs weighing less than 60 pounds, at 295,000 head, was down 6 percent from the previous year. The inventory of hogs weighing 60 to 119 pounds, at 215,000 head, was down 4 percent from the June 2008 inventory. Market hogs weighing 120 to 179 pounds totaled 205,000 head, equal to last year, hogs weighing 180 pounds or more, at 200,000 head, were down 9 percent from a year ago.

The March-May 2009 Texas pig crop totaled 456,000 head, up 4 percent from last year. Pigs per litter averaged 9.70, up 13 percent from the previous year. State Director, Doug Rundle, reported that 47,000 sows farrowed in Texas during March through May 2009, down 8 percent from last year.

The U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2009, is estimated at 66.1 million head, down 2 percent from June 1, 2008 but up 1 percent from March 1, 2009. The breeding hog inventory, at 5.97 million head, was down 3 percent from last year. Market hog inventory, at 60.1 million head, was down 2 percent from last year, but up 1 percent from last quarter.

The U.S. pig crop for March-May 2009, at 28.5 million head, was down slightly from 2008 but up 2 percent from 2007. U.S. producers intend to have 2.97 million sows farrow during the June-August 2009 quarter, down 3 percent from actual farrowings during the same period in 2008.

p.m. at the Pizza House.

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>

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

Any rain-outs or make-up days will be held on the open weekend or on Fridays or Sundays, depending on weather and options of membership. If you have questions call Sue Underwood at 325-669-9411.

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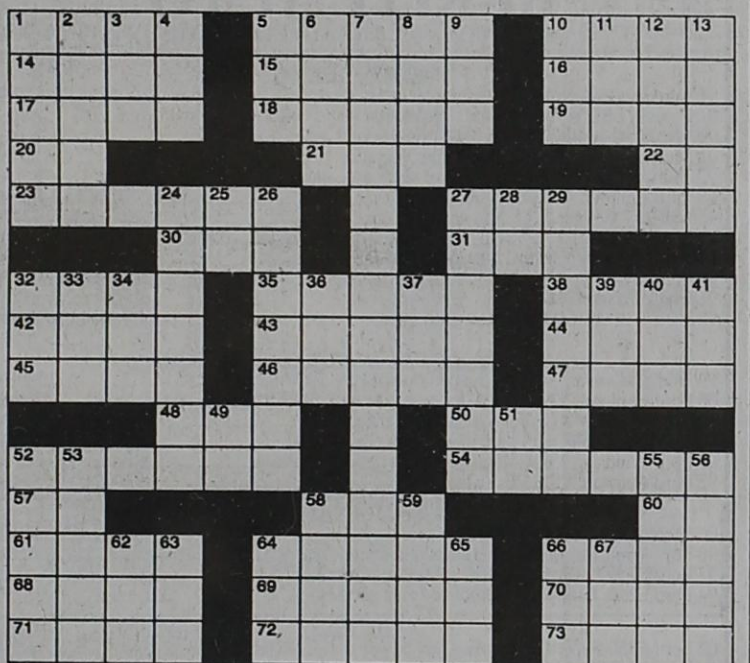
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  - 5. Confronted
  - 10. Rectangular groove in wood
  - 14. 6th Jewish month
  - 15. French spelling of Chad
  - 16. Piercefield fire tower Mt.
  - 17. Wm. \_\_\_: Buffalo Bill
  - 18. 2 person board game
  - 19. "Stir Crazy" actor Wilder
  - 20. "Stuart Little" author White
  - 21. Shock therapy
  - 22. B. \_\_\_ Watch: TV show
  - 23. Perceived
  - 27. Long deep cuts
  - 30. Before
  - 31. Midway between E and SE
  - 32. Pats lightly
  - 35. French scholar Ernest
  - 38. Apprehends
  - 42. Plural of 33 down
  - 43. Chimney corner: \_\_\_nook
  - 44. Swiss river
  - 45. 3rd or 4th Islamic month
  - 46. Bargains
  - 47. Snare
  - 48. The sheltered side
  - 50. Tokyo
  - 52. Groups of 12
  - 54. Island dress
  - 57. Expresses surprise
  - 58. Arrived extinct
  - 60. Exclamation of surprise
  - 61. Ferryboat Watchman
  - 64. Plasters
  - 66. Winglike structures
  - 68. \_\_\_zle: enchant
  - 69. De Mille (dancer)
  - 70. Game cubes
  - 71. \_\_\_ 500, car race
  - 72. Th. \_\_\_: Scottish symbol
  - 73. Computer systems with common storage

- CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Cyprinids
  - 2. Sun-dried brick
  - 3. Radioactivity unit
  - 4. Not producing milk
  - 5. Supervises interstate commerce
  - 6. Sustained dull pain
  - 7. Personal drafts come out of it
  - 8. The countries of Asia
  - 9. Tooth caregiver
  - 10. U.N. Sec. Gen. Hammarskjold
  - 11. They \_\_\_
  - 12. Mother of Perseus
  - 13. Does as told
  - 14. Stalkless leaves
  - 25. Trauma center
  - 26. Bemocks
  - 27. Origins
  - 28. Equally
  - 29. Obama's prior office
  - 32. Women's genealogical society
  - 33. Turkish leader's title
  - 34. Bao \_\_\_: monkey-bread tree
  - 36. Point midway between NE and E
  - 37. Everyone
  - 39. Alt. spelling of 44 across
  - 40. Women's undergarment
  - 41. Calendar month
  - 49. 1/2 an cm
  - 51. A city prosecutor
  - 52. Abu \_\_\_: United Arab Emirates capital
  - 53. Wine barrels are this
  - 55. Civil rights group
  - 56. Indian butters
  - 58. Decagrams
  - 59. Cain and
  - 62. "Kookie" Byrnes
  - 63. Negative
  - 64. Type of radish: \_\_\_kon
  - 65. Point midway between S and SE
  - 66. Dentist's group
  - 67. Container cover

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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.
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# Obituaries

## Ardith Anne Earles

ABILENE- Ardith Anne Earles, 81, died Thursday, June 25, 2009 at a local care center.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 27, 2009 at Elliott-Hamil Chapel of Faith. Rev. David Black officiated. Burial followed in Elmwood Memorial Park.

Ardith was born and raised in Abilene. She attended Abilene schools, graduating from Abilene High School in 1944. She then attended Texas Women's University in Denton, and received her Master's degree from Hardin-Simmons. She married Billy C. Earles on March 19, 1949 in Abilene and worked as designer for Eunice Anne Blouses for several years. She was a teacher in Woodson, Texas and Junction, Texas, before teaching in the Abilene ISD for many years before her retirement in 1988. After retirement, she sold real estate for McClure Realtors. She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, Retired

Teachers Association, 21 Club, and First United Methodist Church. She was very artistic and did many crafts.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Billy Earles; parents, Edward and Eunice (Reed) Etheridge; son-in-law, Billy Ray Collins; and great-grandson, Dixon Earles.

Survivors include her son, Eddie and wife, Cindy Earles of Abilene; two daughters, Cindy Collins of Clyde, and Maggie and husband, Brian Shirley of Marble Falls; brother-in-law, Charles and wife, Fleda Earles of Nacogdoches, TX; seven grandchildren, James Earles, Kate Earles, Brody Earles, Molly Earles, Chad Collins, Ian Shirley and Mariah Shirley; and three great-grandchildren, Trae Earles, Dillion Earles, and Brayli Collins.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church 1318 S. 2nd Abilene, TX 79602 or Ben Richey Boys Ranch P.O. Box 6839 Abilene, TX 79608.

## Betty Evelyn Olsen

CLYDE- Betty Evelyn Olsen, 81, of Clyde, died Thursday, June 25, 2009 at her home.

A memorial service was held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 30, 2009 at the First United Methodist Church. Rev. Lou Ellerbrook officiated, directed by Bailey Funeral Home.

Betty was born on February 6, 1928 in Mason City, Iowa to George and Leona (Green) Orcutt. She graduated from Mason City High School and attended nursing school in Sioux City, Iowa. Betty married Daryl Olsen on March 28, 1948 in Mason City. They moved to Clyde from Houston in February of 1982. As well as being a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and sister, Betty enjoyed singing and performing in country musicals all over the Big Country, including Cottonwood, Scranton, Tye, Clyde Pizza House and many others. She was a member of

the First United Methodist Church in Clyde, where she was a member of the Good Samaritan Sunday School class.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Richard Green and Lawrence Orcutt.

Survivors are her husband, Daryl Olsen of Clyde; two sons, Kenneth Lee Olsen and wife Mary of Elko, Nevada and Meredith Ray Olsen of Clyde; one daughter, Denise Annette Olsen-Reeder and husband David of Hawley; three sisters, Nadine Girard of Northwood, Iowa, Ila Carter of Little Rock, Arkansas and Mary Richards of Clyde; six grandchildren, Christopher Olsen and wife, Lorena, Jennifer Hatfield and husband Ryan, Shawn Akens and wife Jenna, Lindsay Anthony and husband Dusty, Stacey Olsen and Brian Olsen; ten great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews and many friends who will miss her dearly.

## Christeen Hill

ABILENE- Christeen Hill, 88, of Abilene died Friday, June 26, 2009 at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, June 29, 2009 at the graveside in Cross Plains Cemetery with Bob Pipes officiating.

She was born June 9, 1921 in Baird, Texas to Clint and Minnie (Callahan) McGee. She graduated from Cross

Plains High School and married Hulen C. Hill. He preceded her in death in 2001.

Survivors are three daughters, Barbara Doss of Abilene, Elaine Bean of Fort Worth, Sandra Hamrick of Abilene; a son, Morris Hill of Abilene; a sister, Melrose Brown of Bangs; 12 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

## Donna Marie Williams

CLYDE- Donna Marie Williams, 71, of Clyde, died Sunday, June 28, 2009 at an Abilene hospital.

Cremation is planned and no services will be held. Arrangements under the direction of Parker Funeral Home of Baird.

Donna was born January 3, 1938, in the Midway Community in Callahan County, to John Alford Christian, Sr. and Myra Elizabeth Waggoner Christian. She graduated from Clyde High School. She had worked as a hospital

secretary in Arkansas before returning to Texas in 1984. She moved to Clyde in 1988 and worked several years in the dietary service at Clyde Nursing Center.

She married Wayne Williams on September 3, 1989 in Avoca, Texas. He preceded her in death on February 16, 2006.

Survivors are one brother, John A. Christian, Jr. of Clyde; 3 nieces, Beth Cato, Linda Hicks and Judy Drummond, all of Clyde; and 1 nephew, Kenneth Kniffen of Clyde.

## Michael Hugh Brusewitz

CLYDE- Michael Hugh Brusewitz, 60, died Wednesday, June 17, 2009 at his home.

Memorial services were held at 10 a.m. Thursday,

June 25, 2009 at First Central Presbyterian Church in Abilene directed by Bailey Funeral Home of Clyde.

## Wanda Lynn Thurman

BAIRD- Wanda Lynn Thurman, 85, of Baird died Tuesday, June 30, 2009.

Services to be held at 2 p.m. Friday, July 3, 2009 at Eula Baptist Church. Burial

to follow at Eula Cemetery directed by Bailey Funeral Home. Visitation will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

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# Dreams and Memories

By J.B. Johnston

Somewhere along life's journey a person stops dreaming and starts remembering. When dreams turn to memories you know you have reached about as far as your dreams will take you. It is interesting to note how our dreams change over the years.

As a young man I mostly dreamed of cars and girls. I never got that T-Bird or Corvette, and it was probably for the better. By the time I got old enough, with enough money to buy one, I could never justify paying what they cost. My dreams had turned to something more important, like raising a family. My dream girls were mostly in Hollywood, and they never panned out either. When I see some of them on TV today I am sure it was for the best.

Oh, I have dreamed of mansions, yachts, and lots of money, but that didn't happen either. Instead the Lord gave a great wife, two beautiful daughters, four wonderful grandchildren, two great granddaughters and I am not sure he is through yet. That, my friend, is what memories are made of.

Last week as I held my

newest, beautiful, innocent, great granddaughter in my arms, I thought; even though I had never even dreamed of this precious child she was already making memories. Don't we all make memories to someone in some way?

Every once in awhile when I start dreaming about some expensive item, I stop and think of just how fortunate I am to have what I have. I think of those who have less than I. I have a nice home, good car, plenty to eat, heat in the winter, and air conditioning in the summer. I am not quite sure why some people are still living under a bridge in this country, when there is help available, but there are some there. Call it mental illness, alcohol, drugs, or whatever, they are still there, and very much less fortunate than I.

So when are dreams replaced by memories? That depends upon the dreamer. I still have a few dreams that I know will never be fulfilled, but many more good memories. Somewhere along life's road I started having more memories than dreams. The only problem is, sometimes I can't remember what I wish to remember.

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"Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom." II Corinthians 3:17. Some people believe that personal freedom is attained when they are not being controlled by the people or rulers. True freedom is not about what we ourselves or others believe we can do; it is about knowing that unlimited possibilities are ours because of who we are.

As God-empowered spiritual beings, we have a freedom of Spirit that cannot be restricted or contained. Spirit within us is stronger than any physical desire or habit. We can set ourselves free from habits, diseases, or anxieties by claiming our freedom of spirit.

Charlton Heston, a conservative activist, in 1999, gave a speech to the Harvard Law School Forum. In his speech

he warned the 200 listeners that a cultural war was about to hijack their birthright to think and say what is in their hearts.

The president of the forum, David Christopher, reported that about half of the listeners challenged Charlton during the question/answer session.

Then in March of 1999, Rush Limbaugh read the entire speech on his radio show. In the speech given by Mr. Heston he told about when his own son was five years old and explained to his kindergarten class what his father did for a living. The son said that his father "pretends to be people...He has been prophets from the Old and New Testaments, a couple of Christian saints, generals of various nationalities and different centuries, several kings, three American presidents, a French cardinal and two geniuses including Michelangelo."

Mr. Heston said that as he prepared the speech, he decided that if his Creator gave him the gift to reconnect the audience with their own freedom or thought and their own compass for what is right.

Mr. Heston cited the Abraham Lincoln dedication of the Gettysburg memorial in which Lincoln said of America; "We are now engaged in a great Civil War, testing whether this nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure." Mr. Heston said these words are true again and that he believes we are again engaged in a great civil war which is a cultural war which wants to hijack our birthright to think and say what resides in our hearts.

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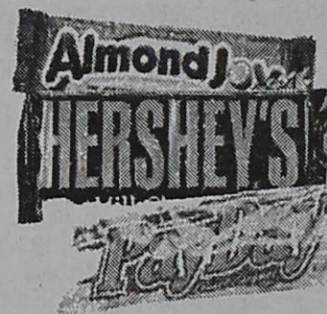
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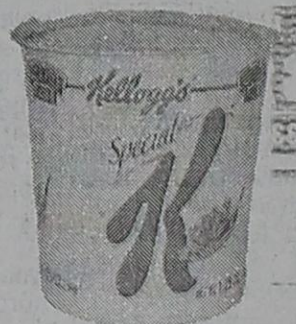


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House For Sale: \$55,000.00. 2 BR, 1 Bath, single car garage, Brick Home, Large LR. Newly remodeled, very large fenced back yard w/patio and storage. 203 Summit, Ranger, TX. 254-631-7919 cell.  
E54

3 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, Lg. trees, Lg. lots. Tile and hardwood floors, new wiring and plumbing. 703 W. 8th, Cisco. \$85,000 Reduced to \$69,900. 254-442-1876 or 817-458-1698.  
E53

House For Sale. 1104 W. 14th, Cisco. Call 325-864-9266 after 8 p.m.  
C56

LAKE LEON; Gated, split-level brick home on secluded, deeded lot has 2 car garage, 3 bedrooms, one and 3/4 baths, Central H/A, rock fireplace, new appliances, open living, kitchen and dining area, sunroom with hot tub, covered porch on lakefront and a partially enclosed floating boat dock. A new aerobic septic system has recently been installed. This home has never flooded. For more information call (254) 629-3599.  
E62

House For Sale: Eastland- Very nice 2 Story, 3 BR, 2 1/2 Bath, 2 car garage home in quiet neighborhood. This home has a large Master bedroom with walk-in closets and garden tub, office & kitchen have custom built-in cabinets, laundry room, dining & living room w/fireplace. Amenities include a 14 x 24 wooden deck, 10 x 16 storage building, 18 x 20 double carport, sprinkler system and large driveway with circle drive, 2560 sq. ft. plus bonus room. Call 254-631-7115 for showing.  
E53

**HOUSES FOR SALE**

Beautiful two-story home in Cisco. 3-4 bedrooms, 1 3/4 baths, spacious living/dining, remodeled kitchen, garage with storage room. Sits on 1 1/2 lots. 609 W. 7th. 254-442-1949.  
E53

**FOR RENT**

House For Rent: 3-1, fenced yard, storage bldg. w/carport. \$550 a month, \$500 deposit. Cell (817) 692-1031.  
E56

For Rent: 3 BR House, Eastland. Has stove refrigerator, heating & air conditioning, fenced yard, 1 car garage. \$450 a month. Call 817-360-8659.  
E53

TRAILER 4 RENT IN COUNTRY 3 BEDROOMS, 1 1/2 Baths, Living room, Eat in Kitchen, PRIVATE with great view. KIDS & PETS WELCOME 254-442-3517 Don't Miss this!  
C54

Taking rental applications on 2 bedroom mobile homes. No pets. Work and rental references required. Rent \$350-\$450 plus deposit. 254-629-1848.  
E104

**FOR LEASE**

Commercial property for lease, 700 square feet, office space, brand new construction, build to suit. \$600 mth. For more information call 254-485-9159.  
E104

FOR LEASE OR SALE: 2 large commercial bldgs on 2 acres fenced w/1-20 frontage- Eastland. Owner financing. Dean 623-979-6732.  
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**MOBILE HOMES**

TO BE MOVED  
Older mobile home in good condition 2 or 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath. Good weekend home or hunting cabin. \$6000 OBO. Can be seen at 3071 Starboard Dr. at Lake Brownwood. Call 325-998-6582.  
E53

New 3 + 2 \$275 per mo!  
16 wide, vinyl siding, shingle roof.  
817-279-8505  
Crown Homes  
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5% dwn, 240 mos., 7.9% APR  
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Repos, Repos  
Large selection, all sizes, Financing available.  
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4 + 2 D/wides \$450 per mo!  
Island kitchen, lots of windows deluxe appl. pkg.  
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5% dwn, 300 mos., 7.5% APR  
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Land Home Pkgs!  
3 + 2 w/acerage \$650 per mo.  
817-279-8505  
FHA, 3.5% dn., 5.5% APR, 360 mos.  
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For Rent: 2 BR, 1 BA, 1221 Oddie St., Ranger, TX. \$400 a month, \$250 deposit. 254-968-4420.  
E104

**CEDAR RIDGE APARTMENTS**  
Clean Unfurnished. Apartments Security Guard on grounds Maintenance Total Electric Laundry Central Heat/Air Near Schools/Hospital No Pets  
254-629-2805  
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**COUNTRY VILLA APARTMENTS**  
1-2 bedrooms, kitchen appliances, Central H/A, W/D, pool. On site security and maintenance. (Behind Pizza Inn) 1099 Lago Vista Blvd. Eastland, Texas. Call 629-2769 or 631-9504. If no answer 629-2348.  
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**EASTLAND VILLAGE APARTMENTS**  
600 W. Sadosa Eastland, Texas 76448  
(254) 629-2518  
Save \$200-\$300 Monthly On Utilities MOVE-IN SPECIAL 1-2-3 Bedrooms Call or come by Near Schools Central A/C  
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**GHOLSON HOTEL APTS**  
If you are 62 years of age or older, or 18 and older and disabled and looking for a nice quiet historic place to live, come to 215 W. Main, in Ranger or call Richard at 254-647-1513 (Income limits apply).  
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107 Blundell-Ranger  
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1 Bedroom Apt. \$330-\$350  
2 Bedroom Apt \$390-\$425  
\$200 SECURITY DEPOSIT  
•Range & Refrigerator  
•Central Heat & Air  
•Laundry Facility On Site  
•Equal Housing  
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**Conveniently Located!**  
Call or Visit Us Today  
Mon.-Thurs. 9:00 AM-11:00 AM  
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2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 bath Lg. town homes. Washer/dryer connections, trash, water and cable paid. Great Location. Raintree Apts 610 S. Madera #114, 629-1913.  
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**ROYAL OAKS APARTMENTS**  
Unfurnished 1 and 2 Bedroom; Carpet, Drapes, & Kitchen Appliances Furnished. Water, Trash Pickup & TV Cable Paid. Also Laundry Room at complex. Choice neighborhood. See and compare at 1304 Royal Lane, Cisco, or call 442-3232. Vacancies not always available.  
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 Plumbing such as hot water heater replacement, leaks or drain problems also lawn care and home repair.  
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 E57

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 Half Boxer, half Lab four males left \$50.00 each. 254-629-1489.  
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**FOR SALE**  
 Portable buildings, priced at 40% off to move out. Making room for new inventory. Delivery will be free. 254-631-0010.  
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**BUSINESS SERVICES**  
**SPECIAL SERVICES AVAILABLE: CONSUMER PLUMBING CONSULTANT:**  
 50+ years experience all kinds Eastland area installation and maintenance qualifies MASTER PLUMBER ROY LEE SMITH to fairly and economically advise residential and commercial customers about their plumbing needs and problems. Call 254-629-2995 for HELP today! You'll be glad you did.  
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**FOR SALE**  
 Sale: Bulk Organic Compost, based top soil, copost cow manure for garden & flower beds. Brandt's Plants & Trees 1503 Conrad Hilton 254-442-4000.  
 C70

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 NPO: 30012 State Office  
 Constr./Maint. Division  
 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704  
 Phone: 512-416-2540  
 Dist/Div Office(s)  
 Brownwood District District Engineer 2495 Highway 183 N Brownwood, Texas 76802-3227  
 Phone: 325-646-2591  
 Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.  
 (6-28, 7-2-09)

**CHURCH SERVICES**  
 Corinth Baptist Church located half way between Cisco and Eastland just North off Highway 6 on County Road 154 Welcomes you to our services.  
 SUNDAY: Refreshments at 9:15 A.M. Sunday School: 9:30 and Worship Service 10:45  
 WEDNESDAY: Bible Study and Youth Activities- 7:00 P.M.  
 Do you like good solid Gospel preaching and the old hymns of the Church? Do you like to sing and/or listen to choir, group and solo music? If so, Corinth Baptist may be the place for you. Our choir welcomes anyone who likes to make a joyful sound to the Lord. We sing from the Heavenly Highway Hymnal, the 1991 Baptist Hymnal and other song books and selections.  
 Corinth Baptist Church: "WE ARE IN THE LIFE CHANGING BUSINESS."  
 PASTOR: Benny Hagan  
 E58

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 Wanted: Ranch for lease for grazing cattle, primarily cow/calf operation. In or around Eastland County. 817-243-4984.  
 R104

**AUTOS**  
 For Sale: Special 2005 Cadillac Escalade ESV Platinum - Loaded navigation system, OnStar system, beautiful pearl color with cream leather interior. AM/FM 6 CD Player, sunroof, heated/cooled seats and cupholders, 4 captain chairs, 3rd row bench seat, lots of storage, and low package. Excellent condition \$24,000.  
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Steel Buildings Recession Disc. 18 x 21 Reg \$6,229 Now \$4,152  
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 Phone: 254-488-4242.  
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**FOR SALE**  
 Body contouring memory foam mattress and foundation, still wrapped with warranty. \$375. 325-428-9172.  
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 I will not be responsible for any debts other than my own.  
 Anita Baker  
 E60

Request For Bids  
 Ranger College will accept bids for assorted automotive equipment. Bids will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., July 13, 2009. Bid information may be obtained from Johnny Gann at 254-647-3234 Ext. 226. Ranger College reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.  
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**GARAGE SALES**  
**EASTLAND YARD SALE:** Fri. & Sat., July 3rd & 4th Lots of baby items and clothes, all ages, car seats, baby furniture, shoes, toys, misc. items. 313 S. Ostrom, Eastland.  
 E53

**FOR SALE**  
 Motorcycle For Sale: Garage kept, in great condition! 2001 Honda Shadow Sabre 1100C2 Cruiser. Has Cobra pipes, windshield, king/queen seat, saddlebags, sissy bar, highway bar and only 6400 miles. \$4000. Call 254-631-7115 for showing.  
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For Sale: 2003 Montana 5th wheel 35 ft. 3 popouts washer & dryer, good condition, \$22,500. 254-629-8277.  
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 Sacrifice a leather couch/loveseat will include 3-pc. table set, brand new never used. \$649. 325-428-9172.  
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**CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)**  
 Dist/Div: Brownwood Contract 6103-15-001 for ROADSIDE MOVING in EASTLAND County will be opened on July 23, 2009 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$145,467.00.  
 Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals.

**RISING STAR HUGE GARAGE SALE:** Friday afternoon July 3rd & Saturday, July 4th. Portable dishwasher, toys, kids clothes, miscellaneous. From Carbon take 1027, go 11 miles turn left on CR 375, go 2 miles.  
 RS53

**SALE:** Men's around house denim overalls starting at \$28.99, Big & Tall available. Johnson's Dry Goods, Cross Plains, TX. 254-725-6211.  
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Microfiber living room set Solid wood construction/lifetime warranty tables too, New must sell \$525. Can separate. 325-428-9172.  
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**GIANT GARAGE SALE**  
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**TREE SALE:** Buy 1 get 2 free, select trees only. All other trees 25% off. Call ahead for directions and office hours. (254) 734-5055, Snider Nursery. Prices effective until August 15th or while supplies last. www.snidernurseryland-scape.com  
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For Sale: 4 x 5 Coastal Round Bales. Fertilized and very clean. \$40, \$45 & \$50. 254-647-5498 or cell 817-229-7921.  
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**LOST**  
 Lost: Red dog on June 19th near Carbon. Reward for info. leading to dog. Contact 254-210-1531.  
 E55

For Sale: '97 Travel Trailer dump pull, 31 ft., very nice cond. \$5,700. Cell (512) 731-2960.  
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**PETS**  
 Wolf Hybrid Pups born April 22nd, current on shots, \$150. For more info. call 254-559-6913 after 5:00 p.m.  
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Manager's Special- 3 person Hot Tub. Has been a display model. Priced to sell with Free delivery. 254-631-0010.  
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## Slow Aging With Blueberries

Millions of people enjoy blueberries because they taste good and are versatile enough to be part of many different menu items. Blueberries, however, are also nutrient-rich and offer a host of health benefits, one of which may be slowing down the aging process.

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.

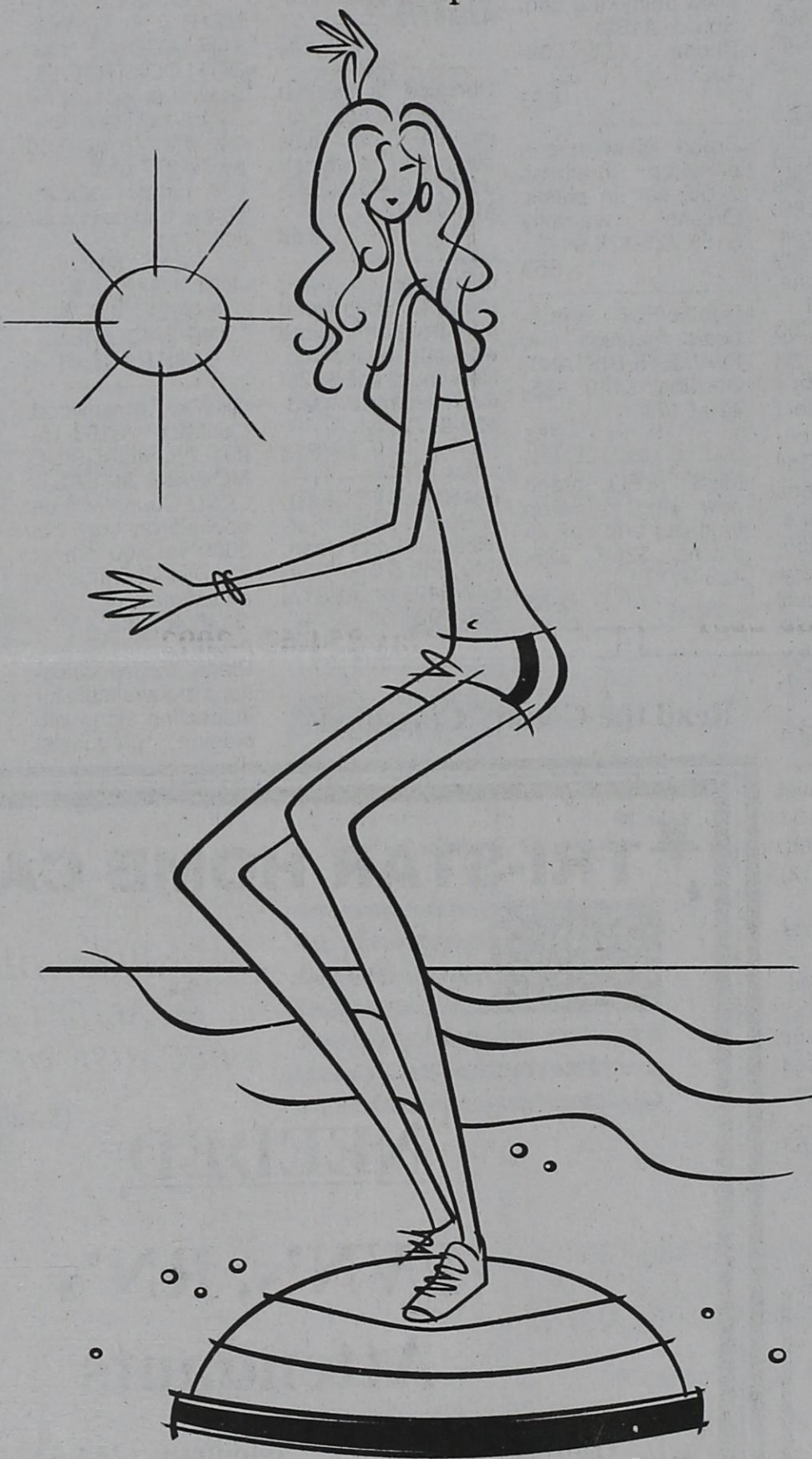
**\* Heat a charcoal grill properly:** If you prefer to use a charcoal grill, make sure the coals are heated for 20 to 30 minutes before you put any food on the grill. Coals should not still be black if you're about to commence cooking. Instead, they should be gray.

**\* 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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## HISTORY

- **1880:** A PERFECT GAME WAS PITCHED BY JOHN LEE RICHMOND.
- **1939:** THE BASEBALL HALL OF FAME OPENED IN COOPERSTOWN, NY.
- **1942:** ANNE FRANK RECEIVED A DIARY FOR HER BIRTHDAY.

### BODY FACT!

WHAT IS THE MOST SERIOUS TYPE OF SKIN CANCER?

ANSWER: MELANOMA

### New Word

## CANCER

disease caused by uncontrolled division of abnormal cells

### How they SAY that in...

**ENGLISH:** Skin

**SPANISH:** Piel

**ITALIAN:** Pelle

**FRENCH:** Peau

**GERMAN:** Haut

## Did you know?

THE SKIN IS THE LARGEST ORGAN OF THE BODY AND NEEDS TO BE PROTECTED FROM THE SUN BY USING AN SPF PRODUCT.

## GET THE PICTURE?

Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: SUNGLASSES



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#### Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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# Obituaries

## James Morton Whitley

CLYDE- James Morton Whitley, Jr. 85, died Wednesday, June 24, 2009 in the Clyde Nursing Center. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, June 26, 2009 at the Clyde Church of Christ with Rodney Tedford officiating. Burial was at Kendrick Cemetery in Denton Valley, Texas. He was born in Eagle Cove, Callahan County, on September 6, 1923 to James Morton and Bertha Camilla (Moseley) Whitley, Sr. and lived most of his life in the Abilene area. He graduated from high school in Denton Valley in 1941. He worked for Burke-Royalty Oil Co. in Grandfalls, TX.

## Tom Martin

CLYDE- Tom Martin, 57, died Saturday, June 27, 2009 at his residence in Clyde.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 1, 2009 at Hwy 36 Church of Christ. Billy Berny and Christ Hale officiated. Interment followed in the Eula Cemetery directed by Hamil Funeral Home of Abilene.

He was born in Corpus Christi, Texas on September 29, 1951. He was the son of Jewel (McMillan) and Acie Martin. In 1962, he moved from Corpus Christi

for many years and was self-employed for several years prior to his retirement. He was preceded in death by his wife of 66 years, Eris Marie Tedford in 2008; his parents; one sister; and one brother.

He is survived by his three children, Darlene Miller and husband, Edwin of Weatherford, Gary Whitley and wife, Jane of Fort Worth, and Steve Whitley and wife, Sheila of Clyde; nine grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson; five sisters, Ola Faye Hodges, Grace Coffman, Bonnie Sherman, Pat Laminack and Jerry Johnson; and numerous nieces and nephews.

to Abilene. As an Abilene firefighter for 33 years, he protected his community and always put his fellow man before himself. As a father, he was full of wisdom and guidance; he always put his family first and there was love behind everything he did. As a friend, Tom was honest, full of laughs, and a true man of respect and integrity.

Tom married Andrea Hemphill on May 1, 1979 in Abilene. He was a member of Hwy 36 Church of Christ and the Firefighters

## Robert G. 'Bud' Farmer

EULA- Robert G. "Bud" Farmer, 76, of Eula, died Sunday, June 28, 2009 at the Clyde Nursing Center.

Masonic graveside services were held Wednesday, July 1, 2009 at 10 a.m. at the Eula Cemetery directed by Bailey Funeral Home.

Mr. Farmer was born November 3, 1932 at the J.W. Evans Ranch south of Baird in Callahan County to Fred and Jewell (Davis) Farmer. He graduated from Eula High School and remained as a lifelong resident of Callahan County. He worked in construction

for Robert E. McGee Contractors in El Paso, White Sands, New Mexico and Missouri. At the time of his death, he was farming and ranching.

He was a member of Abilene Masonic Lodge #559 and a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

He was preceded in death by one son, Fred II and one sister, Billye.

Survivors are his sister and brother-in-law, Dorothy and Sam Mangum of Saginaw; two sons, Rodney of Austin and Gregory of Iowa; and three grandchildren.

#### Association.

His parents and one sister, Barbara Pearson preceded him in death.

Survivors are his wife, Andrea Martin of Clyde; daughter, Melissa Martin and fiancé, Daniel Baltes of Clyde; brother, Rick Martin

of Abilene; and sister, Betty Elliott and husband, Willie, of Houston.

Memorials may be made to Hendricks Hospice Care 1682 Hickory, Abilene, TX 79601 or the donor's favorite charity.

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48+/- Acres - Eastland Co- mostly wooded with oaks, small field ideal for wildlife, great recreation or home site, paved road frontage, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, & quail, \$105,360.

60 Acres - Eastland Co- Wooded & open with fields, large hill with view, pond, electricity, joins large ranches, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail \$1,900 per acre.

65.43 Acres - Eastland Co- wooded with oaks, large hill with great view, paved road frontage, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail \$148,000.

65.498 Acres - Eastland Co- mobile home, wooded with oaks, two large hills, water well, paved road frontage, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, quail \$156,000.

66+/- Acres - Eastland Co- mostly wooded with oaks, small field ideal for wildlife, pond, water well, rolling hill with view, home site potential, paved road frontage, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, & quail \$144,870.

75 Acres - Eastland Co- Mixed wooded with oaks & various fields, metal barn, 3 ponds, water line, livestock pens, lots of cross fencing, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail \$156,000.

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116 Acres on Sabana River - Eastland Co- mostly wooded with oak & elm trees, Sabana River runs through the property, pond, 2 fields, caniper, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, & quail, \$244,000.

148 Acres - Eastland Co- wooded mostly with oak trees, very large hill with view, water well, paved road frontage, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$2,175 per acre.

155 Acres - Callahan Co. - mostly wooded with oaks & mesquites, three ponds, large fields, large hills & canyons, paved road, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail \$279,000.

160 Acres - Eastland Co- very large hills and canyons, mostly wooded with red oak & live oak trees, creek, 1-large pond, 1-average pond, 1-field, great views for miles, deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, & quail, \$344,000.

164 Acres - Callahan Co- mostly wooded with live oak & mesquite trees, several hills with views, creek, 2 ponds, & quail \$1,890 per acre.

208 Acres - Eastland Co- wooded & open, oak & mesquite trees, two ponds, food plots, county road frontage, wildlife includes deer, turkey, dove, duck, & quail, \$1,870 per acre.

241 Acres - wooded with very large hills, post oak, live oak, 2 creeks, 2 ponds, pond, water well, view & loaded with wildlife \$524,000.

344 Acres on Leon River - Eastland Co- mostly wooded with a large portion of big pecan tree bottoms, live oak & post oak trees too, several very large hills with great views, 4 different creeks & the Leon River runs through the property, 1 lake, 3 ponds, various wetland areas, lots of water, barn, water well, good fishing & lots of wildlife including deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, quail, \$2,500 per acre.

445 Acres High Fence on Leon River, 200+ genetics, nice 3 BR 2 bath home, garage, large shop, 5-years under high fence deer management, exotic, large hills & canyons, mostly wooded with oaks, post oak, creek, 1 lake, 7 ponds, food plots, protein feeders, stands, corn feeders, observatory tower, Eastland Co. \$1,595,000.

640 Acres - Callahan Co- completely wooded with several very large hill ridges & canyons with views for miles, 7 ponds with several being very large, mostly live oak & mesquite, creeks, 140 feet of elevation change, good road frontage, close to Eastland Co. line, wildlife includes deer, turkey, hogs, dove, duck, & quail \$2,100 per acre.

3 BR, 1 bath, home with CH/A, within last year carpet and ceramic floor tile was installed. Garage, carport, corner property, backyard fenced, \$49,500.

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3 BR, 2 bath home with CH/A, large den, dining, kitchen combination, separate LR, large master BR with 2 closets, carport replaced, double garage, 2 lots, \$65,500.

3 BR, 1 3/4 bath brick home with CH/A kitchen builtins, attached 2 vehicle garage with CH, storage building, fenced backyard, \$79,500.

3 BR, 1 bath home, some wood floors, detached 2 vehicle garage, shop, storage bldg., barn on approx. 18 acres, \$87,000.

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Great View of Lake and Golf Course from balcony, 3 BR, 2 bath home with 2 family rooms, central air and heat, WBFP, covered balcony, drive thru 2 vehicle carport, storage bldgs., patio, many large oak trees, on approx. 1/2 acre.

1576 Acres with large 2 BR, 1 3/4 bath home, CH/A eating bar between kitchen and LR, sunroom and deck off kitchen, large gameroom could be used for 3rd BR, patio, double carport, large storage bldg., large shop. Home built around 1999 with metal beam framing.

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# USDA Texas Crop Weather

**Agricultural Summary:** The northern part of the state received up to 2 inches of rainfall while the rest of the state observed scattered showers. Wheat harvest was in full-swing and cotton, grain sorghum, and irrigated corn progressed well in the Northern High Plains. In the Northern Low Plains, wheat harvest neared completion and dry-land cotton was in need in rain. In South Texas, cotton set bolls, peanut plants emerged, and watermelon harvest was active. Supplemental feeding of livestock continued in localized parts of the state. Pastures and hay meadows suffered due to hot, dry conditions across the state. Top soil moisture was mostly very short to short across the state.

**Field Crops Reports:**  
**Small Grains:** Wheat harvest was in full-swing in the Northern High Plains as hot weather dried out the crop. In the Northern Low Plains, wheat harvest neared completion and yields varied depending on freeze damage and rainfall. Wheat and oat harvest in the Blacklands was completed and yields were low due to the freeze in early April. State-wide, wheat condition was mostly very poor to fair and oat condition was mostly very poor to fair.

**Cotton:** In the Northern High Plains, cotton progressed well due to the warm weather providing heat units. Dry-land cotton was in need of moisture in the Northern Low Plains.

Dryland cotton planting continued in the Edwards Plateau. In South Texas, cotton boll setting continued. Cotton condition was mostly poor to fair state-wide.

**Corn:** Irrigated corn in the Northern High Plains progressed well due to favorable weather conditions. Hot temperatures caused corn to suffer in the Blacklands during its most critical time. Irrigated corn progressed well in South Central Texas. In South Texas, corn in the mature stage progressed well under heavy irrigation. Corn condition was mostly fair to good statewide.

**Sorghum:** In the Northern High Plains, grain sorghum progressed well as producers planted sorghum behind wheat. Very hot, dry conditions caused sorghum to suffer in the Southern Low Plains. Sorghum suffered in the Blacklands due to lack of moisture. Sorghum matured rapidly in the Coastal Bend. Baling of zeroed-out sorghum in the Upper Coast was active. Sorghum condition was mostly fair to good statewide.

**Peanuts:** Peanut crop pro-

gressed well in the Southern Low Plains. Peanut plants emerged in South Texas. Peanut condition was mostly fair to good statewide.

**Rice:** Rice condition was mostly fair to good statewide.

**Soybeans:** Soybean condition was mostly fair to good statewide.

**Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crop Report:** Green bean planting and pumpkin irrigation was active in the Northern High Plains. Watermelon harvest was active in South Texas.

**Pecan:** Irrigated pecan bottoms progressed well in South Central Texas while insect and disease had minimal effects on the crop. Pecan crop suffered due to low moisture in South Texas.

**Livestock, Ranger and Pasture Report:**

Supplemental feeding of livestock continued in localized parts of the state. Pastures and hay meadows suffered due to hot, dry conditions across the state. Heat and lack of moisture in South Texas caused range and pasture conditions to suffer. Range and pasture condition was mostly very poor to fair statewide.

# Moran Homecoming Set For Oct. 23-24

The 2009 Moran Homecoming will be held on Friday, October 23 and Saturday, October 24, according to an announcement by the Moran Ex-Student & Teacher Association. The Moran Bulldogs are scheduled to host the Blackwell Hornets for the homecoming football game on Friday night, with the remaining homecoming activities scheduled on Saturday as usual. A parade and street dance are among the activities being considered this year, in addition to the traditional exes program. The Ex-Student & Teacher Association will hold a meeting very soon to discuss plans for this year's homecoming, although a meeting date has not yet been finalized. In the meantime, if you would like to volunteer to help with this year's homecoming or if you need further information, please contact Duston Brooks at (325) 945-3145, Aline McCormack at 945-3715, Jo Ellen Hise at 945-2199 or send an e-mail to [moranhomecoming@aol.com](mailto:moranhomecoming@aol.com). Please make plans to attend this year's homecoming.

# 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: 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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8	4	6	3	2	5	9	7	1
7	5	1	8	9	6	4	3	2
2	9	3	7	4	1	8	5	6
3	1	8	5	7	4	2	6	9
4	6	9	1	3	2	7	8	5
5	7	2	6	8	9	3	1	4
1	2	7	4	6	8	5	9	3
9	8	5	2	1	3	6	4	7
6	3	4	9	5	7	1	2	8

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