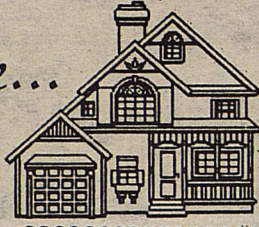






## Heart and home...

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## Summer Grilling

As summer temperatures heat up, so do grills across the state. However, media reports over the last year have some people wondering if their favorite summer fares are safe to eat. Research shows very well done, charred meat, especially if it has a lot of fat, may possibly contain minute amounts of cancer-causing carcinogens. However, most people don't grill near enough to worry about this. Besides, it's not really cancer that you should worry about when you grill food. It is the possibility of food-borne illness that you should be concerned about. Food safety and correct degree of doneness are things to look for when grilling this summer.

Here is some advice from the food safety experts at USDA on cooking during the summer months:

1. Keep meats cold prior to cooking. Thaw meat in the refrigerator or a cooler, not on the counter or the picnic table.
2. Don't cross-contaminate! Use clean dishes every time, do not place cooked food on a plate that raw food has been on. Also, do not place vegetables (raw or cooked) on a plate with raw meat.
3. Be cautious of foods that are packed together, such as fully cooked hot dog wieners and uncooked chicken breasts. Cook the wieners like they are raw to eliminate any bacteria from the chicken.

4. When you are through eating, put the food up or throw it away. Usually two hours is the limit for food to be out, but in the hot summer sun, one hour is the limit. Keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold, because bacteria flourishes between 40 and 140 Fahrenheit. Store the foods properly as well. Your refrigerator or cooler should be kept under 40 Fahrenheit.
5. Ensure that foods are cooked to the proper degree of doneness. For instance, when grilling hamburgers, the center should reach 160 Fahrenheit. Use a meat thermometer if you are unsure. With hot dogs or sausage, read the label to see if it is fully cooked or raw. Either way, you want them to be done. Steaks, on the other

hand, offer some leeway. The middle portion of the cut is usually clean, so medium rare is safe and possibly tastier to eat.

In a project conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service a few years ago, it was found that a tremendous amount of people grill most meat cuts to medium and above. It was also found that palatability of lesser grades of meat is more affected by degree of doneness. For example, if you're using 'USDA Select' cuts of beef, be careful not to overcook to ensure a good eating experience.

Although the type of grill people use makes no difference except to the user, you should always preheat it. Your grill should also be kept clean by preheating it; you will generally eliminate any bacteria that is on the surface.

Hopefully, by following these simple steps, your summer fun and food can be fun and healthy. Happy grilling! Here is a recipe you can use when grilling this summer.

### Grillside Potato Chips

1 lb. Potatoes (russet or long white), scrubbed ad

bias cut into 1/16 inch-thick slices.

3 T Cooking oil  
1/2 tsp. dried thyme (optional)

1/2 tsp. Coarse salt or season salt.

Place potatoes in a Dutch Oven. Add enough water to cover. Bring to just boiling. Cook for 2 to 3 minutes or until crisp-tender. Drain; place in single layer on paper towels. Carefully brush

both sides of potato slices with cooking oil. Sprinkle with thyme and salt or season salt.

Grill potato slices on rack of uncovered coals for 15 to 20 minutes or until browned and crisp, occasionally turning. Remove from grill; let stand 89 to 10 minutes on a paper towel lined baking sheet. (Chips will crisp as they stand).

YIELD:

4 side-dish servings.

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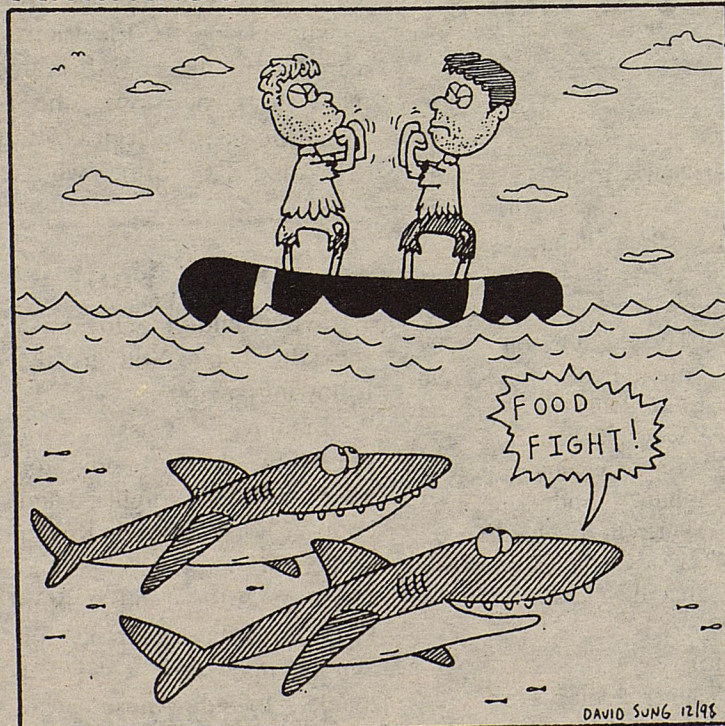
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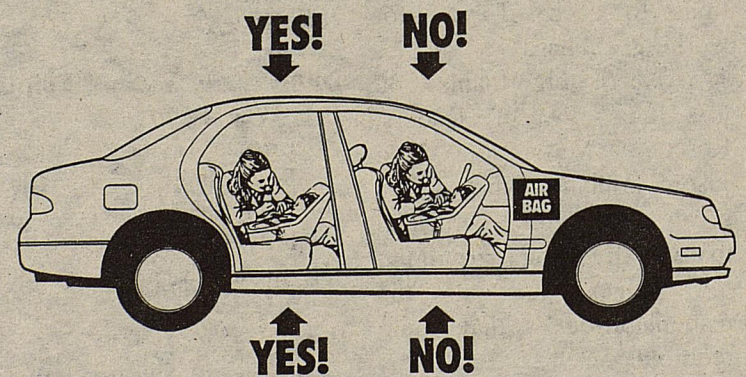
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By David Sung



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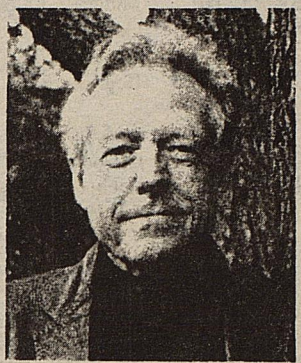




## Texas Stories

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## Some Hazards of slow driving

Jack slowed down even more and asked Jo what she meant.

Jo told him, "We've got a dog running along wettin' on the wheel."

When Jo was growing up, her dad used to call her Dude. She was the oldest of six children in the family. "One time I was trying to tell three of the younger kids they would get hurt if they jumped off a chicken house on our property. That thing was about six feet tall, about as tall as my daddy, who built the thing.

"Those kids were just determined that they were gonna climb up on that chicken house and jump off. I kept telling them they would get hurt if they did it, but they wouldn't believe me.

"I'm supposed to be Mom's smartest kid, see. I got up there and jumped off to show those three kids that it really would hurt them. And boy, was I right. Next time I woke up I was looking up into three little bitty faces looking down at me, terrified because they thought they had killed me. That jump knocked me out colder than a cucumber.

She never had any trouble about that chicken house again.

Jo encourages visitors to call before they come to see her. If you drive out to see her without warning.

She's liable to come to the door in her gown, robe,

Jo Bird has been stopped for speeding in Rockdale. She lives three miles from the city limits and has a tendency to drive a little fast when she goes to town. Her husband, Jack, on the other hand, is a slow driver. "He's a real menace," says Jo. "He does not believe in turn signals."

One day Jo and Jack were in town in Jack's pickup. That's sort of a rare thing because Jo usually does not do pickups, especially those duellies, the ones that have four wheels in the rear and look like if they run over something in the street they'll turn around, come back and eat it. "Those things will run you right over," says Jo. One did and totaled her car.

Anyway, she and Jack were doing some errands and Jack was driving real slow in downtown Rockdale. Joe leaned over and asked her husband, "Hon, who we sneaking up on?"

Jack sometimes gets irritated when Jo says things like that.

Another time they were creeping along and Jo was thinking that someone was going to crash into them from behind. "I was afraid one of those duellies was gonna cream us and knock us all the way to California."

Jo said, "I think we've got a problem over here, Hon."

## Gail Cemetery Memorials

Donations have been made to the Gail Cemetery

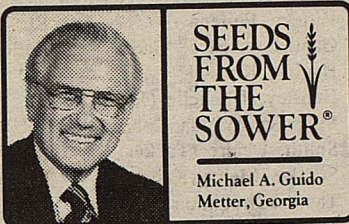
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Joe & Mayola Bradshaw & Family  
Dan & Ouida Turner  
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#### Kelli McPhaul

By:  
E.L. & Barbara Farmer



A woman had her hands in the dough, and she was irritated to find that the knock at the door was that of a tramp.

"Will you help me out of my troubles?" he asked.

"Gladly," she yelled. "Would you rather be shot or poisoned?"

But that's not the way the Lord helps us. He says, "Call upon Me in the day of trouble: I will deliver you."

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Got big troubles? God's bigger! Call - He'll deliver you.

wooly socks and Big Bird T-shirt. "No make-up, no hair-do and no personality," says Jo. I've even had people jump back, look startled and say, "Jo, is that you? Who do they expect? Liz Taylor?"

Jo is fun. She laughs a lot. Her sense of humor is world class. She is an excellent story-teller in describing her everyday experiences. She wants her tombstone to read "She had a good time." Seems fitting.

## OBITUARY

### Alda Staggs

1906-1999

Services for Alda Borden County from Taylor Harrison Staggs, 92, of in 1944. She moved to Lamesa was held at 3 p.m. Lamesa in 1998. She was Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at First a homemaker and a Baptist Church in a member of First Baptist O'Donnell with the Rev. Church in O'Donnell. Richard Rush, pastor, She was preceded in officiating. death by her husband in May of 1996.

Burial was held in Gail Cemetery under direction of White Funeral Home.

Mrs. Staggs died Friday, July 9, 1999, at Medical Arts Hospital in Lamesa.

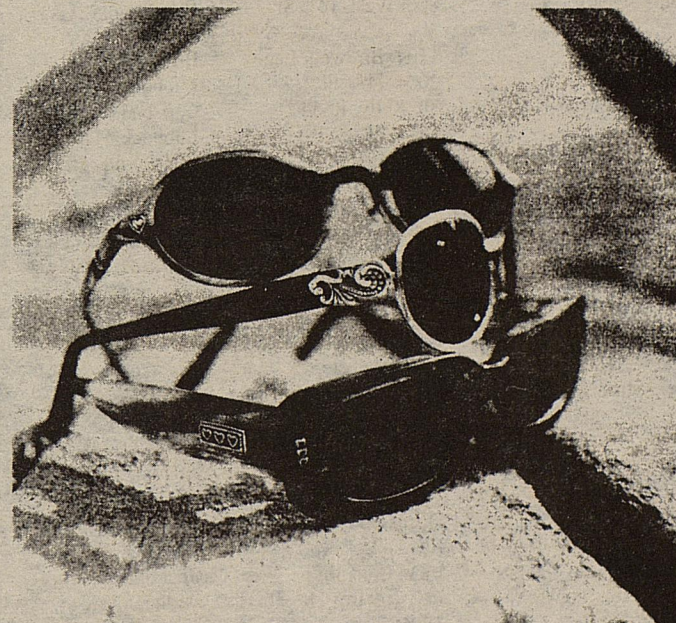
She was born October 4, 1906, in Taylor County. She graduated from

Abilene High School and attended Hardin Simmons College. She married W.W. Staggs on September 29, 1932. She moved to

Survivors include two sons, W.D. "Bill" Staggs of Hobbs, N.M. and Jerry Staggs of Ackerly; a daughter, Mary Lynn Williams of Borden County; 15 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to be made to the First Baptist Church in O'Donnell, or to a favorite charity.

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# More addresses and help needed! BHS 2000 School Reunion

Volunteers are still needed to help gather names and addresses of students in classes for the BHS All School Reunion. The only volunteers for the classes so far are: 1956 & 1958 Judy (Doyle) Kingston; 1960 Cookie (Porter) Dyess; 1961-62 Ollie (Kingston) Holmes; 1970 Lisa (Dennis) Mahler, and 1975 Katherine (Jackson) Tanner. If you can help with your class are just have information on any students please contact Judy Kingston.

## 1970

Autry, Debby (Dennis)	Deceased-1997	
Bland, Sally (Anderson)	P.O. Box 1167	Lovington, NM
Bloom, Sandra (Sneed)	P.O. Box 1767	Big Spring, TX
Clayton, Marty	14 Burwick St.	Sugarland, TX
Davis, Delwyn	2903 Ave. T	Snyder, TX
George, Bobbie (Ludecke)	814 Smithfield Blvd.	Smithfield, VA
Hagins, Freddie	P.O. box 1405	Stanton, TX
Hanks, Debbie (Wills)	Rt. 2, Box 48-B	Perrin, TX
Holmes, Terry (Cannon)	P.O. Box 460	Sheffield, TX
Jenkins, Dolores (Landford)	18502 Gail HWY	Big Spring, TX
Mahler, Lisa (Dennis)	313 Gayle, Box 4465	Edna, TX
Rains, Betty (Gray)	3820 Walnut Ave.	Odessa, TX
Smith, Judy (Buchanan)	4402 Aspen St.	Rowlett, TX
Smith, Lin	HCR 7, Box 156	Lamesa, TX
Taylor, Darrell	Rt. 2, Box 2612	Richards, TX
Yadon, Ted	P.O. box 445	Alpine, TX

## 1971

Baeza, Oscar & Lydia	P.O. Box 32	Gail, TX
Griffin, Lane & Dian	5105 FM 1205	Coahoma, TX
Hagins, Jimmy	Deceased	
Hagins, Judy (Smith)	Rt. 1, Box 88-H	Bridgeport, TX
Harding, Joe Pat & Rhonda	7750 FM 1205	Coahoma, TX
Hodge, Jimmy	Deceased - 1995	
Kemper, Brenda (Jackson)		
Killough, Robert	Deceased	
Lockhart, Tommy	Deceased	
Lozano, Andy	P.O. Box 136	Gail, TX
Stipe, Connie (Ogden)	4996 Co. Road, #254	Snyder, TX
Whitaker, Virgil A.	2392 E. 160	Pogosa Springs, CO
Williams, Geary	806 West 14 <sup>th</sup> St.	Big Spring, TX

## 1972

Boyd, Stephen	1104 Birdwell Lane	Big Spring, TX
Briggs, Billie	2004-94 <sup>th</sup> St	Lubbock, TX
Carpenter, Martye (Graham)	38 Kelly Road	Carlsbad, NM
Couch, Annette	4811 65 <sup>th</sup> St.	Lubbock, TX
Hedges, Suzie (Proctor)	1403 Lincoln	Big Spring, TX
Hendricks, Bo & Jacquie		Gail, TX
Hutto, Mary (Anderson)	1801 Michigan	Midland, TX
Jones, Gigi (Canon)	P.O. Box 332	Stephenville, TX
Jones, Ken Don	Deceased - 1995	
Kilough, Maggie	114 Browning	Snyder, TX
McHenry, Mike	2615- 41 <sup>st</sup> St	Lubbock, TX
Sharp, Ross & Sarah	P.O. Box 84	Gail, TX
Tate, Paula (Smith)	2309 Webster	San Angelo, TX
Toombs Mike	2401 - 45 <sup>th</sup> Apt. 10	Lubbock, TX
Zant, Larry	Deceased	

## 1973

Benevidez, Bill & Nadene	Rt. 1, Box 139	O'Donnell, TX
Brownds, Pam (Shoemaker)	HCR 3, Box 82	Seminole, TX
Crittenden, Randell	Deceased	
Hensley, Randy & Donelle	Rt. 1, Box 150	O'Donnell, TX
Herring, Mike	P.O. Box 50	Coahoma, TX
Kiker, Vickie (Newton)	RR 10, Box 10159	Midland, TX
McMeans, Steve	1206 Thomas Lane	Graham, TX
Morgan, Janice (Browne)	Rt. 1, Box 146	Seminary, MS
Rios, Roby		Grassland, TX

## 1974

Armstrong, Sheila (Zant)	HC 62, Box 80	Big Spring, TX
Barnes, Diana (McHenry)	1507 Ave. E.	Levelland, TX
Briggs, Bobbie	Deceased- 1972	
Brummett, Audrey	HC 62, Box 80	Big Spring, TX
Copeland, Clay	3904 S. Co. Rd 1187	Midland, TX
Cox, Rex	1801 Ft. Worth Rd	Weatherford, TX
Farmer, Frank	Deceased-1989	
Hagins, Leslie	1100 E. 105 <sup>th</sup> Quail Run, Colorado City, TX	
Hancock, Joe & Melisa	6974 Abbott Drive	Manhattan KS
Hart, Connie (Underwood)	P.O. Box 12	Gail, TX
Hendley, Roy Don & Carole	RR 6 Box 713 Club	Lubbock, TX
Hogg, Janice (Todd) Glenn		Lamesa, TX
Isaacs, Doug & Debbie	Rt. 1, Box 89	O'Donnell, TX
Jones, Jo Ann (Martin)	P.O. Box 163	Sudan, TX
Jones, Max	2500 FM 612	Fluvanna, TX
McGlothing, Janice (Davis)	3004-41 <sup>st</sup> St	Snyder, TX

Odgen, Claudia (Swann) 803 E. Co. Rd. 129  
 Odgen, Randy & Lisa P.O. Box 93  
 Parks, D.M. 2024 Co. Road 432  
 Patterson, Rhonda 509 W. 15<sup>th</sup> St.

1975  
 Anderson, John P.O. Box 134  
 Ballard, Linda (Gass) Rt. 1  
 Barlow, Rita (Cornett) 5602 85<sup>th</sup>  
 Cooley, Dana (Westbrook) 2708-48<sup>th</sup> St.  
 Cooley, Teddy " " " "

Dworaczyk, Carmel Deceased - 1972  
 Ludecke, Melissa P.O. Box 153  
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 Smith, Monte & Deidre 3550 Niles Rd  
 Tanner, Catherine (Jackson)

## 1976

Bond, Mary (Ledbetter) Rt. 1 Box 130  
 Boyd, Phillip 1807 Nolan  
 Davis, Kendall Rt. 1, Box 2642  
 Drain, Cindy (Beaver) 1929 Santa Fe  
 Duddleston, Debbie (Herring) 1420 N. Roosevelt  
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 Hensley, Donnelle (Jones) Rt. 1 Box 150  
 Simpson, Wanda (Johnson) 3600 Calvin  
 Smith, Deidre (Tucker) Rt. 1 Box 110  
 Sporke, Meita (Keim) La Luma 1360  
 Taylor, Creighton 11407 Dakota

## 1977

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 Cooley, Gene 3504-B 50<sup>th</sup> St.  
 Goodman, Kathy (Underwood) P.O. Box 34  
 McLeroy, Bob Rt. 1 Box 46-A-1  
 Musgrove, Elizabeth (Ledbetter) 607 E. 4<sup>th</sup> St.  
 Parks, Eddie 2000 Co. Road 432  
 Patterson, Tommy 3006-37<sup>th</sup> St.  
 Pierce, Kristy (Smith) 2412 Juniper Drive  
 Platt, Gail (Grose) P.O. Box 67  
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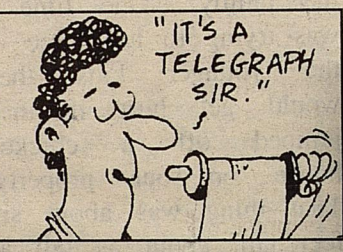
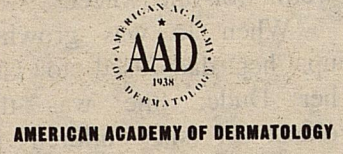
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