

Item one: Boobless Calculator Joke**Informant:** Jason Donawerth, 27, Bloomington, IN**Collector:** Suzy Bischoff, 20, Bloomington, IN**Title:** Boobless Calculator Joke**Genre:** Non-verbal riddle/joke- A picture riddle that is interpreted by adopting an unusual perspective**Folk Group:** Friends at school**Actual/Typical Context:** Friends at school would perform this joke using what would now be considered old, block-numbered calculators. The new calculators would not work because of the way the numbers are displayed. This joke was probably passed around throughout the school or maybe only that particular grade that the performer was part of. Then the kids at school would pass it on to other friends and siblings where it would be passed around more in their social groups.**Transcription of the item:** You have to have a calculator with you, one of the old-fashioned style calculators, not one of the new Dot Matrix ones. Take the calculator, you just hold it in any hand, people don't know what you're doing with it. So you ask them, "What was Dolly Parton after she did 10,000 push-ups?" Then they would say, "I don't know." Then you pull out the calculator and type in 55378008, and then you turn it around and show the person. Well, upside-down it spells boobless.**Commentary:** When we were little, this was really funny. Done with friends at school, not done with mom. Think it was learned from a kid at school, Brian Macanich, in about 2nd grade.