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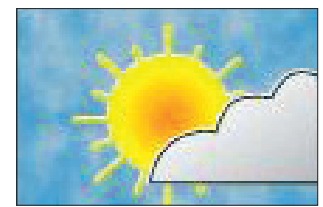
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Deadline to register for voting is nearing

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

Time is running out for local residents to register to vote in the November election, as a number of key county and state seats will be up for grabs.

The deadline to register to vote in the Nov. 2 election is Oct. 4, according to Howard County Election Administrator Saundra Bloom, and



Bloom

while that date may seem a long way off, it can sneak up on would-be voters in a hurry.

"The registration deadline for any election is 30 days prior to the election day," said Bloom. "If they haven't received their card or aren't sure if they're registered, all they have to do

is come by the office. They can fill out the voter registration application and their card should be mailed to them in time for the November election.

"For those that can't get out, they can call us and we'll mail them the form. They can fill it out and just mail it back to us. It's a very easy process, and it can save them from a hassle on election day."

Bloom said the deadline for area

voters to return applications for mail-in ballots is Oct. 26, with her office set to begin accepting the requests Sept. 3, but warned against procrastinating.

"I would encourage everyone to get their applications in as soon as possible," said Bloom. "If you're 65 years old or older, disabled, confined to jail or you know you will be out of

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Schrecengost's third work to debut

Book signing set Tuesday at museum



By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Features Writer

A local historian will hold a book signing Tuesday in conjunction with the official release of her third novel featuring historical stories and photographs of Big Spring.

Tammy Burrow Schrecengost, Heritage Museum curator, returns to Big Spring in the pictorial novel "Images of America: Big Spring Revisited" released by Arcadia Publishing.

The tome represents months of work and numerous years of research for the 1977 Big Spring High School graduate. She's also penned "Images of America: Big Spring and Howard County" and "Web Air Force Base 1942-1977." Both books are published by Arcadia.

The book signing will be held from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry Street, but Schrecengost will be available all day at the museum for those who can't attend the official event.

Big Spring Revisited features historical characters who helped form the town broken down by decade from the 1880s through 1950s and even briefly features some living residents including country-western singer Jody Nix, radio personality Tumbleweed Smith

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Tammy Burrow Schrecengost, Heritage Museum curator, holds a copy of her newest book "Images of America: Big Spring Revisited" which will be released by Arcadia Publishing Tuesday. A book signing will be held from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry Street, but Schrecengost will be available all day at the museum for those who can't attend the official event.

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CAF Airsho scheduled for Oct. 9-10

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

Permian Basin residents will once again get the chance to see the nation's mightiest aircraft — both old and new — in action Oct. 9-10 as the 2010 Commemorative Air Force (CAF) Airsho takes to the skies above Midland.

Presented by Western National Bank, Airsho is something the entire family can enjoy, according to Autumn Hicks, director of membership marketing and public relations for Midland International Airport.

"The CAF Airsho gates will open to the public at 7:30 a.m. to give attendees plenty of time to view the static aircraft before the flying begins," Hicks said. "Airsho features more than 100 aircraft on display and in the air, ranging from early vintage aircraft to the thundering sounds of today's American military."

"CAF Airsho takes great pride in

bringing modern military to the public along with the historic aircraft of the CAF fleet. Tickets are available at Western National Bank, FINA 7-Eleven locations, Domino's Pizza, online at www.airsho.org and at the Commemorative Air Force Headquarters at Midland International Airport."

Hicks said the CAF ranks as one of the largest private air forces in the world.

"Collecting, restoring and flying vintage historical aircraft for more than half a century, the Commemorative Air Force ranks as one of the largest private air forces in the world," she said. "The CAF is dedicated to honoring American military aviation through flight, exhibition and remembrance. A non-profit educational association, the CAF has approximately 9,000 members and a fleet of 156 airplanes distributed throughout the country to 74 units located in 27 states for care and operation."

And, much like last year, CAF officials

say they are going out of their way to make the show affordable to everyone in the Permian Basin, regardless of the current ups and downs of the economy.

"In today's economy, many small businesses are struggling and we want to help," said CAF President/CEO Stephan Brown. "In 2009, we 'took a step back in time' and lowered ticket prices to make attending Airsho easier on families. This year, we're looking at how we can help our local community even more. Inviting local food vendors back keeps the money in our hometown."

Ticket prices for the Airsho will remain the same low price as last year, according to Hicks, at \$15 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6 to 12, when purchased in advance.

This year's Airsho will also feature State Rep. Tom Craddick, R-Midland, and his wife, Nadine, as grand marshals.

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Obituaries

Miriam Inez Sample

Miriam Inez Sample, 91, of Big Spring died Saturday, Sept. 25, 2010, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 4:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, 2010, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Doyle Maynard and Shawn Gary officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born July 31, 1919, in Knott and married Robert Henry Sample on Dec. 28, 1934, in Knott. He preceded her in death Aug. 20, 1982.

Inez was a lifelong resident of Martin County and she and her husband farmed in the Knott Community for many years. She moved to Big Spring in 1985. She was a lifelong member of the Church of Christ. Inez was a homemaker, loved her family, loved to cook and enjoyed attending her children and grandchildren's activities.

She had been a longtime member of the Knott Church of Christ and was currently a member at the 14th and Main Church of Christ.

Survivors include three daughters and sons-in-law, Joe and Bud Hughes and Jean and Richard Parker, all of Knott, and Kay and Ray Long of Big Spring; one brother, Donald Nichols of Knott; 10 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, John and Myrtle Nichols; three brothers, Barney Nichols, Claud Nichols and Chuck Nichols; and three sisters, Kathryn Grantham, Edith Condran and Johnny Ray.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials be made to Cherokee Home for Children, P.O. Box 295, Cherokee, Texas 76832 or Foster's Home for Children, P.O. Box 978, Stephenville 76401.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 9 a.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. today:

- DENVER RAY HEFFINGTON, 25, of 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd., was arrested Saturday on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, failure to appear and two warrants from another agency.
- KELLEY ANN YATES, 24, of Weatherford, was arrested Saturday on charges of public intoxication, failure to appear, permitting an unlicensed person to drive and consumption of alcohol by a minor.
- JOHN ERIC NOLTING, 47, of 614 Steakley, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- JAYSON WILLIAM WATERS, 35, of 1007 S. Nolan, was arrested Saturday on a warrant for terroristic threat.
- ALBERTO RIVAS, 51, of 610 N.W. Eighth St., was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- DEBRA LYNN KNOTT, 48, of 106 E. 22nd St., was arrested Saturday on a warrant from another agency.
- EDWIN JAMES DEAN, 45, of 1403 S. Nolan, was arrested Saturday on charges of disorderly conduct – language, public intoxication, expired motor vehicle inspection certificate, failure to appear, no inspection certificate, assault – family violence and failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- JOHNATHON PAUL BUSTAMANTE, 21, of 601 W. 15th St., was arrested Saturday on warrants for possession of marijuana – two ounces or less and consumption of alcohol by a minor.
- MONICA MARICE GARCIA, 23, of 1208 Wood, was arrested Sunday on warrants for open container – possession of alcoholic beverage in a vehicle and failure to appear.
- MARTY WAYNE HUCKABEE, 30, of 1309 Wright, was arrested Sunday on warrants for driving without a safety belt and failure to appear.
- SETH DAVID MITCHELL, 27, of 1705 Hilltop, was arrested Sunday on a charge of failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- DANIEL LORENZO TORRES, 28, of 1408 Wood, was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.

- ASSAULT was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported: In the 1300 block of Lamar. In the 1400 block of E. Sixth Street.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported: In the 2600 block of Barksdale. In the 1400 block of S. Nolan. In the 3700 block of Dixon.
- THEFT was reported: In the 1700 block of S. Gregg Street. In the 200 block of W. FM 700. In the 200 block of W. FM 700.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 500 block of E. 14th Street.

Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity:

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 77 inmates at the time of this report.

- LISA MARIE MENDEZ, 42, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
- JOEL ESWIN, 23, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of failure to identify – giving false information.
- MICHAEL RAMIREZ, 27, was arrested Friday by DPS on a charge of cruelty to non-livestock animals – failure to provide.
- JUAN TORREZ VELASQUEZ, 24, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of failure to identify – giving false information.
- MARK TIMOTHY STANLEY, 48, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- ERNEST WILLIAM CLARK, 70, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- RUBEN HERNANDEZ, 48, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a municipal warrant for no driver's license.
- JOSE MUNOZ III, 45, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of issuance of a bad check, violation of a promise to appear and driving while license invalid.
- DENVER RAY HEFFINGTON, 25, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of bail jumping – failure to appear, failure to maintain financial responsibility, violation of a promise to appear and a blue warrant.
- CLARISSA DEAN, 30, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on of no driver's license – when unlicensed, failure to appear and failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- MERRILL CLAYTON CAMPBELL, 35, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- KELLEY ANN YATES, 24, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication, minor consuming alcohol, permitting an unlicensed person to drive and failure to appear.
- JOHN ERIC NOLTING, 7, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- JAYSON WATERS, 35, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of terroristic threat.
- ALBERT RIVAS, 51, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- ANGEL EDIEVERTO TORRES, 26, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on charges of terroristic threat impairing public service and driving while license invalid with a previous suspension or conviction.
- DEBRA LYNN KNOTT, 48, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a probation violation for possession of a controlled substance.
- EDWIN JAMES DEAN, 45, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication, disorderly conduct – language, failure to maintain financial responsibility, expired motor vehicle inspection, assault – family violence no valid inspection certificate and violation of a promise to appear.
- JESUS BARRIENTOS JR., 19, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on charges of no driver's license, failure to appear in court and minor in consumption of alcoholic beverage.
- JONATHAN BUSTAMANTE, 21, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less and minor in consumption of an alcoholic beverage.

- MELVIN R. DICKERSON JR., 19, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on charges of speeding, and violation of a promise to appear.
- MONICA MARICE GARCIA, 23, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on charges of open container and failure to appear.
- CRYSTAL ANN BURCHETT, 30, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a municipal warrant for possession of drug paraphernalia.
- JUAN GABRIEL MORAN, 36, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on charges of no liability insurance, displaying expired motor vehicle registration and displaying an expired motor vehicle inspection.
- MARTY WAYNE HUCKABEE, 30, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on charges of no seat belt and violation of a promise to appear.
- SETH DAVID MITCHELL, 27, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- ASHLEY MICHELLE PEARSON, 19, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on charges of ride not secured by safety belt (two counts) and no driver's license (two counts).
- PAULA BAKER, 45, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated – open container after bond forfeiture.
- DANIEL LORENZO TORRES, 28, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- HEATH CARL HANSEN, 8, was arrested Monday by DPS on charges of possession of a controlled substance, possession of a dangerous drug and unlawfully carrying a weapon.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 500 block of N. Main Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of N. FM 700. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of Sycamore. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of Hilltop Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- STRUCTURE FIRE was reported in the 1700 block of Marijo.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1600 block of W. 18th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of FM 700 and Virginia. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1300 block of Michael. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3600 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1000 block of Stadium. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 6700 block of S. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- STRUCTURE FIRE was reported near the intersection of Marijo and Stanford.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of S. Main Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of 17th and Goliad. Service refused.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of 17th and Goliad. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1000 block of Birdwell Lane. One person was transported to SMMC.

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TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS:

Pilot from Brookshire dies in Waller County chopper crash

BROOKSHIRE (AP) — The Department of Public Safety says a helicopter crash in Waller County has killed a pilot from Brookshire. DPS spokesman Tom Vinger on Monday identified the victim as 57-year-old William Scott Worthington. The accident happened Saturday. Witnesses reported seeing smoke coming from the small, two-seater helicopter before it went down in a field and burned.

Houston mother of baby starved to death freed

HOUSTON (AP) — The mother of a Houston infant who starved to death in 2004 is free after serving seven months of her 20-year prison term. The Houston Chronicle reported Monday that Jolene Valencia was released in February due to good behavior and state parole guidelines. Troy Fox with the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles says Valencia had a limited criminal history and a "satisfactory institutional adjustment." Law professor Marci Hamilton says releasing Valencia early is "just wrong." Valencia was convicted of bodily injury to a child. Records show that Saul Castillo, who was 2 months old when he died, weighed less than his birth weight of nearly 6 pounds. Valencia could not immediately be reached for comment. The father, who faces neglect charges, remains at large.

Houston-area woman killed, unborn child also dies in attack

MISSOURI CITY (AP) — Relatives believe a pregnant Houston-area woman may have known the person who stabbed her more than 20 times in an attack that left her and her unborn son dead. Missouri City police on Monday did not immediately release more details

on the slaying of 27-year-old Leah Jackson, who was nearly full term. A police statement said the stabbing early Sunday at the victim's home may have involved a domestic dispute. Police are investigating whether a man found shot to death later Sunday, at an apartment complex a few miles away, has ties to Jackson's slaying. The Houston Chronicle reported Monday that relatives say Jackson, who stumbled to her mother's neighboring home to get help, said the attacker was related to her unborn son's father.

Judge could rule deaf inmate was wrongly convicted in case

DALLAS (AP) — A deaf man imprisoned for sexual assault of a child, despite a crime-scene fingerprint that matched a convicted child rapist, could have his guilty verdict overturned. Stephen Brodie is expected to be exonerated during a hearing Monday at the Dallas County courthouse in Dallas. The county district attorney's office is supporting the 39-year-old man's claims of innocence. There was no physical evidence linking Brodie to the 1990 sexual assault of a 5-year-old girl. His attorney, Michelle Moore, says prosecutors failed to notify Brodie's lawyer about forensic testing on hair found at the crime scene excluding him. After Brodie was convicted, police in the Dallas suburb Richardson learned the fingerprint matched a man who pleaded guilty to the sexual assault of a 15-year-old girl.

DEA collects more than 3,000 pounds of drugs in Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston-area residents have turned over more than 3,000 pounds of expired, unused and unwanted prescription medications to federal authorities. The Saturday collection was the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration's first effort to round up unused prescription drugs. The agency collected medications at 3,400 locations nationwide as part of its National Prescription Drug Take-Back Campaign.



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan
Lee Davis puts the finishing touches on an eagle's head he was sculpting during the 18th Annual Mustang Draw Woodcarvers' Club Show and Sale, which concluded Saturday at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

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the county for the election, you can apply for a ballot by mail. They can write us a letter or send us a request by fax or e-mail. "The deadline to receive an application for a ballot by mail is Oct. 26. We'll be doing the mail-in ballots similar to the way we did them last year. Anyone who wants to vote by mail needs to call in and request their ballot, or send a written request to our office."

According to Bloom, requests for a mail out ballot must include the voter's name, address of residence inside Howard County, the reason for their request and the address the ballot should be mailed to. If the reason for requesting a mail out ballot is the voter will be out of the county during the election, Bloom said the ballot must be mailed to an address outside Howard County, as well as mailed back from outside the county. "We're hoping this will help our college students, military and voters temporarily working out of the county," said

Bloom. Howard County voters will have several local races to weigh in on, including the battle for the Precinct 2 seat on the county commissioners court. Republican nominee Donnie Baker will face off against Democratic nominee Jim Sinclair. Incumbent Jerry Kilgore lost the contest for the Republican party's nod in March. The Precinct 4 seat on the commissioners court will also be up for grabs, as incumbent Democrat Gary Simer will square off against GOP candidate John Cline. Cline won the Republican nomination in March by de-

feating Roy Don Beauchamp, while Simer went unopposed in the primaries. In the race for Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, Place 2, incumbent Kathryn Wiseman will represent the Republican party, while Democratic nominee Ricky Hughes will try to unseat her. Hughes was unopposed in the March party primaries. The District 19 seat in the U.S. House of Representatives will also be up for grabs in November, as Republican incumbent Randy Neugebauer faces off against Democratic nominee Andy Wilson and Libertarian Richard "Chip" Peterson.

The State Representative District 85 seat will also be decided in November, as incumbent Democrat Joe Heflin faces off against Republican nominee Jim Landtroy and Libertarian Robyn L. Burwell. Early voting in the election will begin Oct. 18 and end Oct. 29, according to information provided by the Texas Secretary of State's office. For more information on voter registration, contact Bloom at 264-2273. Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@big-springherald.com

BOOK

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and retired journalist Marj Carpenter. "I focus on how important each decade was to our development. What each decade offered in inventions and different ways of life for our community as well as the world," Schrecengost said. Beginning in the earliest days of Big Spring, the book recalls the wild stories lived by people who were striving to find fortune and prosperity or simply to earn a living in untamed

West Texas. "During the construction of the railroad and the booming cattle industry, everyone involved in the ventures had an abundant supply of money," she writes. "The stakes in the gambling halls were high, but life was cheap. Jeff Millton saw a young cowboy sitting cross-legged on the edge of a monte table gambling his life away with Clay Mann backing him, his herd as collateral. At last, when he had lost \$20,000, Mann told him that was as far as he could go. 'You can't let me have anymore!' inquired the cowboy.

"That's all your cattle are worth," said Mann. The young cowboy pulled his gun, shot himself through the head and fell dead off the table onto the floor, and the game went on." Much of the early part of the book features three men who played key roles in the formation of the town. "I'm starting from the 1880s and focusing on three men, John, Jeff and the Judge — John Birdwell; Jeff Milton, a Texas Ranger, and the Judge, which is what they called the Earl of Alyesford," Schrecengost said. "Each one of them had a different

role in the formation of town. They didn't establish Big Spring but they were here to establish law and order." In all three of her published novels, the author's constant style is to visually relay the story of the town through the use of old photographs. "I love pictures," she said. "That's where I start. I like to look at what's behind the photograph. It tells a story to me. I always look to photographs because they capture a second of time you can keep hopefully forever. I wish we had more." Big Spring Revisited

is available for purchase at the Heritage Museum, area books stores, online retailers or through Arcadia Publishing at www.arcadiapublishing.com. For more information, contact the Heritage Museum at 267-8255.

AIRSHO

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Hicks said the couple will be riding in the lead car of the Airsho parade — expected to begin at approximately 11:30 a.m. — on the runway of the airport. After the parade, they will be on the announcers stand to help welcome the crowds and get Airsho under way.

"We are honored to have the participation of both Tom and Nadine Craddick as Airsho grand marshals," said Brown. "These two individuals have given so much of themselves to strengthening our community. Their continued dedication to West Texas and the CAF make them the perfect choice for the honor of grand marshals." For more information, visit www.airsho.org,

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Obama: Money alone can't solve school predicament

BEN FELLER

AP White House Correspondent

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama started the school week Monday with a call for a longer school year, and said the worst-performing teachers have “got to go” if they don’t improve quickly.

Bemoaning America’s decreasing global educational competitiveness, Obama sought in a nationally broadcast interview to reinvigorate his education agenda. At the same time, the president acknowledged that many poor schools don’t have the money they need and he defended federal aid for them. But Obama also said that money alone won’t fix the problems in public schools, saying higher standards must be set and achieved by students and teachers alike.

Asked in an interview if he supported a year-round school year, Obama said: “The idea of a longer school

year, I think, makes sense.” He did not specify how long that school year should be but said U.S. students attend classes, on average, about a month less than children in most other advanced countries.

On other topics in a live half-hour television interview, Obama said that White House chief of staff Rahm Emanuel has not told him whether he will resign to run for mayor of Chicago, as is widely expected. Obama said he knows Emanuel must decide quickly to mount a serious campaign.

The president also sought anew to show that he understands the frustration of millions of people coping with a slow economy — and high joblessness — some 20 months into his term. He said that even if people know he is working hard to fix their problems, what they expect from him is “something concrete” to help them get a job and pay their bills.

Obama appeared on NBC’s “Today” show in a live interview that focused on education.

Education is primarily the domain of state and local governments. But the federal government has leverage and uses it, for example, through the strings it attaches to poverty aid that thousands of schools depend upon to support their programming.

The president admitted that his own daughters, Malia and Sasha, couldn’t get the same quality education at a Washington, D.C., public school that they currently get at their private school.

The Obama girls attend Sidwell Friends School, an elite private school in the Washington area.

“The D.C. public schools systems are struggling,” Obama said, though he added that the school district has, “made some important strides over the last several years to move in the direction of reform.” Public schools

in Washington have long faced criticism for their low test scores and high dropout rates.

Separately Monday, Obama announced a goal of recruiting 10,000 teachers who work in the fields of science, technology, engineering and math — over the next two years. In a statement, Obama said such education is vital to allowing students to compete against their peers in today’s economy.

In the interview, the president said he wants to work with teachers unions, and he embraced the role they play in defending their members. But he said that unions cannot and should not defend a status quo in which one-third of children are dropping out. He challenged them not to be resistant to change.

And the president endorsed the firing of teachers who, once given the chance and the training to improve, are still not serving students well.

Poll: Perry leads White in governor's race

AUSTIN (AP) — Republican Gov. Rick Perry leads Democrat Bill White in support among likely voters, but the state’s longest-serving governor has yet to win over most Texas voters, according to a poll conducted for Texas’ largest newspapers.

Perry has 46 percent support to 39 percent for White among likely voters, the poll showed. Eleven percent were undecided. Libertarian candidate Kathie Glass is trailing with 4 percent, and Green Party candidate Deb Shafto had less than 1 percent.

Texans’ displeasure with President Barack Obama and Washington and the perception that Perry has helped the Texas economy appear to be working in the governor’s favor. Perry is trying to win an unprecedented third full four-year term.

“He certainly looks like he’s headed for another term,” pollster Mickey Blum said. She described White’s task as “not impossible, but it’s certainly difficult.”

Among the challenges, Blum said: “The state is arguably doing better than much of the country, there’s a fairly popular governor you’re running against and this is a Republican

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year all the way around.”

The poll was conducted by Blum & Weprin Associates Inc. of New York for the Houston Chronicle, The Dallas Morning News, the San Antonio Express-News, the Austin American-Statesman and the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. The results were appearing in their Sunday newspapers.

The telephone survey of a random sample of 1,443 Texas adults, including 1,072 registered voters and 629 likely voters, was conducted Sept. 15-22. The margin of error for the likely

voters is plus or minus 3.9 percentage points.

Even though White and his allies have spent millions of dollars on television ads attacking Perry, Blum said the race has remained essentially unchanged since February. She said she sees little volatility in the race and voters who are undecided probably won’t cast ballots in the Nov. 2 election.

In this anti-incumbent year, Perry’s 10 years as governor doesn’t seem to bother Texans. He leads among whites, older voters and Republicans — groups that traditionally turn out heavily on Election Day. He’s also attracting more women, is far ahead in rural Texas and is dividing the vote in urban areas.

According to the survey, Perry leads by more than 30 percentage points in Dallas-Fort Worth and is drawing about even with White in San Antonio and in Houston, where White was mayor. White holds a seven-point lead in Austin.

White has big margins of support among Democrats, blacks and Hispanics. He is doing better than Perry among independents, who are breaking 3-to-2 in White’s favor.

Almost half the state’s likely voters approved of the way Perry is handling his job, while 37 percent said they disapprove. Most of his negative ratings came from Democrats.

Perry campaign spokesman Mark

Miner said the poll reflects the governor’s decade-long stewardship of the state.

“Whether they agree with the governor 100 percent of the time or not, the governor stands up for what he believes in and what is in the best interest of Texas,” Miner said. “Bill White has offered nothing constructive in this campaign. Criticism is not a solution to anything.”

White campaign spokeswoman Katy Bacon said Perry has done a bad job running the state and has been in office too long. She seized on the fact Perry has not broken 50 percent in his voter support.

“It’s clear that a majority of Texans have had enough of career politician Rick Perry focusing on himself and his political career instead of the state’s future,” she said.

The newspapers interviewed some of the poll respondents.

William Shipley of Plano said he believes a conservative is best right now. Shipley lost a \$100,000-a-year job and now works in mobile telephone sales. He said his support for Perry is driven in part by his opposition to Obama.

“Basically everything he’s (Obama’s) done has been bulldozed over the heads of Republicans. It’s been like that ever since he’s been in charge,” Shipley said. “And if a state governor can have any influence, it’s going to have to be a Republican.”

Alfredo Lopez, a disabled veteran from San Antonio, supports White. He criticized Perry for refusing to debate White and chided the governor for not accepting federal money for unemployment and education.

“When they offered the state of Texas millions of dollars when they were giving the bailout, and he declined those funds for the state of Texas, I said, what is this guy doing? Everybody else was doing it to help their state,” Lopez said. “And then they were showing off how he lives in a mansion with chauffeurs and a chef. I don’t personally like that.”



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Cowboys beat Texans, 27-13

HOUSTON (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys can breathe a little easier — and even smile again.

At least for now. Tony Romo threw two touchdown passes to Roy Williams, Marion Barber ran for another score, and the Cowboys got their first win by beating the Houston Texans 27-13 on Sunday.

Romo went 23 for 30 for 284 yards, Williams caught five passes for 117 yards and the Cowboys (1-2) finally put together a complete performance after starting 0-2 for the first time since 2001.

Owner Jerry Jones feared the prospect of a humiliating 0-3 start, and having an extra week to stew over it before

his team hosts Tennessee on Oct. 10.

“We were going to really be in bad trouble had we lost this ball game,” Jones said. “Candidly, I was worried about going home and facing five weeks without a win. First five weeks in the NFL without a win; there are all kinds of horror stories.”

Coach Wade Phillips said he was losing sleep over the Cowboys’ bad start, although Jones said last week that Phillips’ job was safe. Now, Dallas heads into an early bye with a victory to build on rather than concerns about what changes the team’s unpredictable owner might want to make.

“The thing about this league

is you either feel good or feel bad after Sunday,” Phillips said. “We feel good right now. Our team came out and showed the way we can play. The little things that were missing in the first couple of games, I think we came through with. We played solid all the way around.”

The announced crowd was 71,456, a record for a Texans game at Reliant Stadium. Dallas supporters were well-represented and taunted the hometown fans with “Let’s Go, Cowboys!” chant in the waning minutes. The Cowboys became the second NFL team since the merger to reach 400 wins, joining the Pittsburgh Steelers.

The Texans (2-1) blew their

chance to not only go 3-0 for the first time, but to gain a foothold in their own state, where the Cowboys have always hogged the attention from the fans and media.

“The guys are upset,” star receiver Andre Johnson said. “I wouldn’t say that we are down. The guys came in after the game and felt that we played not to our ability. We knew we didn’t play our best football.”

The Cowboys’ defense emerged after two dull efforts, getting its first three takeaways and holding Houston’s top-ranked offense to 340 yards. DeMarcus Ware sacked Matt Schaub three times, and the Dallas secondary limited Johnson to four

catches for 64 yards.

Ware set the tone on Houston’s first series, surging past left tackle Rashad Butler and five-year veteran, a making his first career start in place of Duane Brown, who began serving a four-game suspension for violating the NFL’s banned substance policy. Brown started the last 34 games.

The Texans led 3-0 when Romo threw a 32-yard pass to Felix Jones early in the second quarter. It was negated by an illegal block, exactly the kind of mental error that plagued Dallas in its first two games.

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Cerbi Ritchey had a team-high 11 kills in the Lady Steers’ sweep at Sweetwater Saturday.

Off to a good start Lady Steers pick up first district win

BY ADAM COLEMAN

Sports Editor

SWEETWATER — For the second match in a row, the Lady Steers had to be persistent on offense, even though their opponents were making it hard for them on defense.

Against Pecos it was the digs Big Spring had to overcome and against Sweetwater, it was the blocks.

The Pecos match ended in a sweep for the Lady Steers and the District 5-3A opener at Sweetwater was no different.

The Lady Steers (15-14, 1-0 in district play) prevailed with another sweep, 25-19, 25-21, 25-18. It’s their fourth sweep in five matches and fourth win in five matches.

“Sweetwater was a good blocking team,” head coach Lynn Osborne said. “They came out really blocking us. I thought the hitters did a real good job adjusting and not getting freaked out. They just adjusted and found a way to get the ball down.”

Osborne said the Lady Steers expected to see teams block and dig better than their used to, so she tries to move the hitters around in order to force opposing players to adjust. The strategy worked in Saturday’s win.

But Osborne was impressed with what her team did defensively, racking up a handful of digs on their own.

The Lady Steers have outside hitter Desiree Anderson, setter Cerbi Ritchey and libero Valerie Ross to thank for that. Ross had the team-high in digs with 17 and Ritchey and Anderson followed with 13 and 12, re-

spectively.

Ritchey’s digs, however, came with team-highs of 11 kills and 18 assists. She also had an ace.

One concern for Osborne over the last few matches leading up to district play has been getting more players into double-digit kills more often. Osborne said she was pleased with a handful of players contributing in Saturday’s match, but the nine kills from Anderson and Bridgette Tuitt prove the Lady Steers are making an improvement in that area.

All in all, the Lady Steers are off to a good start in district play and Osborne is glad they got the first win.

“It was pretty sweet,” she said. “The girls were very excited going into the game. As the game progressed, I could just see their confidence building and I think it was a real key win for us going into Snyder.”

The Snyder game is an important one for the Lady Steers. Considering it’s on the road and Osborne expects a tough matchup with the Tigers, she said the first two district matches will tell a lot about the Lady Steers.

BIG SPRING 3, SWEETWATER 0

25-19

25-21

25-18

Setters

Cerbi Ritchey - 18 assists, 11 kills, 13 digs, 1 ace, 100% serve.

Clara Benavides - 15 assists, 8 digs.

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Area football results

Friday

Stanton 17
Coahoma 2

Big Spring 34
Midland Christian 30

Post 9
Forsan 6

Sands 53
Buena Vista 6

Grady 58
Ropes 42

Saturday

Garden City 58
Dallas Covenant 8

Bearkats cruise past Dallas Covenant for 58-8 win

BY ADAM COLEMAN

Sports Editor

GARDEN CITY — Everything was clicking for Garden City in the Bearkats’ 58-8 win over Dallas Covenant Saturday. The offense was its usual self and — something head coach Vance Jones doesn’t see often — the defense was solid.

“Our blocking schemes were very good against them, they ran a four-man line, and once we got past the line of scrimmage, it was pretty much a Josh deal,”

Jones said.

Indeed, Josh Colunga powered the offense yet again with 15 carries for 241 yards and four touchdowns. He also had two catches for 84 yards and a touchdown.

Jones said the Bearkats’ defense was impressive in Saturday’s game and it played with more intensity than he’s seen in recent memory.

The Bearkats held Dallas Covenant to 34 yards rushing and 116 yards passing. It was a good sight to go along with Garden City’s high-scoring offense.

Colunga continues to be the key for the Bearkats’ offense and it’s no surprise to Jones, who said Colunga’s consistency is what truly helps the team.

“I don’t know if he’s better, he’s as good as he was last year,” he said. “He’s just very steady, very constant. He’s not real flashy, he just lines up and does his job and that’s what I think I really like about him. He doesn’t want to be the star, he’s just one of the teammates.”

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Longhorns in trouble heading into tough part of schedule

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas is in trouble.

A home loss to UCLA showed the Longhorns still can’t run and can’t seem to catch passes anymore.

And that sturdy defense? The Bruins pushed around Texas for 193 yards on the ground in the second half as UCLA rolled

to a 34-12 victory on Saturday.

What looms next makes Texas’ prospects for its usual 10-win season even worse. The Longhorns (3-1) head into October with their annual date with Oklahoma next weekend, then a trip to undefeated Nebraska where the Cornhuskers are aching for payback after

last year’s Big 12 title game.

“Just saying the words OU around here gets everybody fired up,” Longhorns tailback Fozzy Whittaker said. “We’ll have a chance to redeem ourselves.”

The Longhorns dropped 14 spots in the latest AP Top 25 to No. 21.

The Bruins (2-2), meanwhile, may be on the verge of a bigger season than anyone expected.

“Who knows? I know that the last time we did this it started a big thing and we’re hoping for the same results,” Bruins quarterback Kevin Prince

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Sports in brief

Big Spring Quarterback Club

The club meets every Monday at 7 p.m. All parents of football players 7th through 12th grade are encouraged to attend. For more information, call

Denise Carrillo at 816-1685.

Over 80 2-man scramble

Gaines County Golf Course is hosting an over

80 2-man scramble Oct. 23 and 24. The combined aged of the team must equal 80 or older. The starting times are 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. and the entry fee is \$80 per player plus the cart. The entry fee includes lunch on Oct. 23. Call 758-3808 to sign up.

AP Top 25

- Alabama
- Ohio St.
- Boise St.
- Oregon
- TCU
- Nebraska
- Florida
- Oklahoma
- Stanford
- Auburn
- Wisconsin
- LSU
- Utah
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- Miami
- Iowa
- Southern Cal
- South Carolina
- Michigan
- Texas
- Penn St.
- N.C. State
- Michigan St.
- Nevada

Wolf Pack at No. 25

NEW YORK (AP) — The only previous time Nevada was ranked in the AP Top 25, the Wolf Pack ended the season playing in the Harbor Bowl in San Diego.

That was 1948. It took 62 years, but Nevada is back in The Associated Press poll. The Wolf Pack were No. 25 in the poll released Sunday and are off to a 4-0 start for the first time since 1991, the year before they jumped from I-AA to I-A.

"It's very exciting news," coach Chris Ault told the AP in a telephone interview Sunday. "I'm sure our players will be fired up."

The first month of the season closed with the preseason top three in the rankings un-

changed: Alabama is No. 1, followed by Ohio State and Boise State.

The Crimson Tide had its toughest challenge yet Saturday, coming from behind to beat Arkansas 24-20. The road victory helped the Tide gain five first-place votes to 57.

Ohio State, which rolled to a 73-20 victory against Eastern Michigan, received two first-place votes and Boise State, which beat Oregon State 37-24, received one.

The USA Today coaches' poll has the same top three teams.

No. 4 Oregon and No. 5 TCU flip-flopped spots this week.

No. 6 Nebraska held its position and No. 7 Florida moved up two heading into its big

game at Alabama on Saturday.

No. 8 Oklahoma was followed by Stanford, which jumped seven spots to No. 9 and No. 10 Auburn, which also gained seven spots.

The Cardinal are 4-0 for the first time since 1986 after beating Notre Dame 37-14, and have their best AP ranking since ending the 1992 season No. 9.

No. 21 Texas dropped 14 spots after a stunningly lopsided 34-12 home loss to UCLA.

West Virginia and Oregon State dropped out of the rankings. No. 23 North Carolina State (4-0), off to its best start since 2002, was the other Wolfpack to move into the poll this week. N.C. State is ranked for the first time since 2003.

Area Cross Country results

LUBBOCK — Forsan and Big Spring competed in the Lubbock Invitational Saturday. The results are as follows:

For Forsan, in the varsity girls division, freshman Raegan Haggard finished 12th with a time of 13 minutes, 20 seconds. Sophomore Kayla Tilley placed 43rd running a 14:16 and freshman BreAnna Martinez placed 71st with a time of 15:09.

For Forsan, in the varsity boys division the team of Kyle Stevenson, PJ Horton, Elgen Suazo, Matthew Mims, Dillon Bagnall, Covan Davidson and Tyler Evans brought home the Runners-Up trophy scoring 71 points.

Stevenson placed ninth with a time of 17:38. Horton placed 11th running

a 17:47. Suazo placed 16th running an 18:03. Mims placed 18th with a time of 18:10. Bagnall placed 25th running an 18:30. Davidson placed 29th with an 18:44 and Evans placed 47th with a 19:41.

For the Big Spring varsity girls, Jaycee Williams placed 17th with a time of 13:16.3. Morgan Mitchem finished 74th with a 15:23.

The Big Spring varsity boys had Sergio Torres finish 19th with a time of 17:33.8. Mike Williams finished 37th with a 18:17.4. Taylor Heckler placed 50th with a 18:51.9. Mark Torres finished 55th with an 18:56.5. Thomas King finished 56th with a time of 19:03.5. Taylor Brorman finished 57th with a 19:06.1. To round off the Steers' performance, Tristen Ramirez finished 80th with a time of 21:06.

Mens Caprock League Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama

Results after Week 3

Team standings (handicap): 1. Pollard, 7,733; 2. Claiborness 7,514; 3. United Country, 7,549; 4. The Real Deal, 7,707; 5. And 1, 7,537.

Season High Scores
Scratch Game: 874, Those Guys; 858, The Real Deal; 797, Pollard.

Scratch Series: 2,477, Those Guys; 2,428, The Real Deal; 2,232, Culligan.

Handicap Game: 965, Pollard; 951, The Real Deal; 914, The Real Deal.

Handicap Series: 2,708, Those Guys; 2,684, Pollard; 2,596, The Real Deal.

Scratch Game: 267, Chris Munoz; 253, Don Ewing; 250, Eddie Gonzalas Jr.

Scratch Series: 704, Fred Gutierrez Jr.; 691,

Don Ewing; 673, Greg Clarke.

Handicap Game: 294, Chris Munoz; 290, Ector Guerra; 281, Fred Futerer Jr.

Handicap Series: 812, Fred Gutierrez Jr.; 789, Ector Guerra; 769, Greg Clarke.

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TEXAS

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said, referring to UCLA's 66-3 win here in 1997.

Texas has many problems to fix.

The power running that was the focus of spring drills and fall training seems to be regressing.

For the second straight week, Texas rushed for less than 100 yards.

It wasn't for lack of trying. The Longhorns managed only 3.7 yards on 23 carries behind an offensive line that is struggling to run block and pass protect.

Quarterback Garrett Gilbert missed a wide open receiver for what should have been an easy touchdown in the first half.

He also had a hand in three turnovers in the first half with a fumble on a sack, a botched handoff with D.J. Monroe and an interception in his first loss as a starter. Gilbert has three interceptions in the last two games.

And when Gilbert throws to the right guy, his receivers are showing a nasty trend of dropping the ball. Tight end Barrett Matthews had a particularly rough day with two drops.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

East dealer. North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 10 7 3
♥ Q 8 6
♦ A 4 2
♣ K J 9 2

WEST
♠ J
♥ A J 10 9
♦ K J 6
♣ Q 7 5 4 3

EAST
♠ Q 9 6 5 4
♥ 5
♦ Q 9 8 7 5 3
♣ 6

SOUTH
♠ A K 8 2
♥ K 7 4 3 2
♦ 10
♣ A 10 8

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Pass 1♥ Pass 1NT
2♥ Dble 3♦ 4♥
Pass Pass Dble

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South won West's jack-of-spades

Tomorrow: Day for a queen.
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BEARKATS

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Dallas Covenant was a new opponent for the Bearkats — it was the first time the two teams had

faced each other. Although Jones said the Knights were a well-coached team, they might have been a little shellshocked on Saturday.

The Bearkats play Ropes next week before a showdown against Borden County. Jones said his

team is not looking ahead to the anticipated game against the Bulldogs.

"We're taking every game one at a time," he said. Ropes is a very good ball club. They have a really good offense. They run a lot of spread and they run it well."

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	6			7	4		5	
		7	3			6		

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Offense

Desiree Anderson - 9 kills, 2 blocks, 12 digs, 3

aces.

Bridgette Tuitt - 9 kills, 6 digs.

Taylor Seaton - 6 kills, 2 blocks, 1 dig.

Defense

Valerie Ross - 17 digs, 1 assist, 1 ace.

Carson Reibe - 11 digs, 1 kill, 1 assist

COWBOYS

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The Cowboys didn't let mistakes slow them down after that.

Williams and Dez Bryant caught third-down passes from Romo to get Dallas moving. Miles Austin beat Brice McCain on a 17-yard reception to the Texans 1, and Barber scored on the next play, the Cowboys' first touchdown rushing this season.

Buehler put Dallas up 10-3 with a 49-yard field

goal; he missed shorter attempts in each of the first two games.

Johnson, who sprained his right ankle in last week's win over Washington, aggravated the injury early in the third quarter.

Trainers helped Johnson hobble off the field, but he returned for Houston's next series. Schaub threw a deep pass to him that Mike Jenkins intercepted at the 10-yard line for the Cowboys' first takeaway of the season.

Johnson said his ankle nagged him during the game, but didn't limit his movement.

"If I couldn't make plays, I wouldn't go out there," he said. "I felt comfortable going out there and playing on it. It just bothered me."

Romo continued to work on the Texans' suspect secondary, which allowed more than 400 yards passing in each of the first two games. Bryant caught a 30-yard pass down the sideline.

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ANSWERS

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NOTICE OF DRAFT FEDERAL OPERATING PERMIT

DRAFT PERMIT NO.: O1505 APPLICATION AND DRAFT PERMIT. Alon USA, LP, P.O. Box 1311, Big Spring, Texas 79721-1311, a Petroleum Refining facility, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Federal Operating Permit (herein referred to as Permit) No. O1505, Application No. 13516, to authorize operation of the Big Spring Refinery. The area addressed by the application is located at the intersection of Refinery Road and Interstate Highway 20 East in Big Spring, Howard County, Texas 79720. This application was received by the TCEQ on March 27, 2009.

The purpose of a federal operating permit is to improve overall compliance with the rules governing air pollution control by clearly listing all applicable requirements, as defined in Title 30 Texas Administrative Code § 122.10 (30 TAC § 122.10). The draft permit, if approved, will codify the conditions under which the area must operate. The permit will not authorize new construction. The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and has made a preliminary decision to prepare a draft permit for public comment and review. The executive director recommends issuance of this draft permit. The permit application, statement of basis, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Central Office, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Bldg. E, First Floor, Austin, Texas; the TCEQ Midland Regional Office, 3300 North A Street, Building 4-107, Midland, Texas 79705-5406; and the Howard County Public Library, 500 South Main Street, Big Spring, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. At the TCEQ Central and Regional Offices, relevant supporting materials for the draft permit, as well as the New Source Review permits which have been incorporated by reference,

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It seems almost unfair the way it only takes you a moment to conjure up an image of your ideal scenario, but it can take a lifetime to bring this imagining into reality. Don't worry. Your current dream won't take quite as long.



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GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Short breaks are a good idea, unless, if given the choice, you think there's a chance you won't come back to finish your task. You are on the final stretch, so don't give up now.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). When you observe people, sometimes you can read what they are thinking as clearly as if they were cartoons with thought bubbles over their heads. Today will bring several such instances.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). While dealing with artistic types, keep in mind that they can be insecure and often need a good deal of praise and nurturing. Actually, it helps to remember this in all of today's dealings.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The most important job to do is the one you agreed to do long ago. It might not be the most glamorous job, but its importance cannot be argued. Your future good fortune springs from this work.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You could still make your aim, but if you fall short of the goal, it won't be by much. So stay friendly to yourself. Anyway, you're much further along than you would be if you hadn't made a goal at all.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Delayed reactions are a normal part of life. For instance, you may not even realize how you feel about today's events until a week from now, when the excitement has

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Of course you want things to work perfectly at all times. And yet, it's when things go wrong that you will really shine. People notice. You will likely be promoted, praised and paid for the way you behave under pressure.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Some are content with the information they are given. You like to know the backstory of those you come into contact

with. Go easy on the questions, though. You'll learn more through observation.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The ones who have something to teach you are not always wearing classroom-appropriate clothes and carrying textbooks. You'll get valuable training from an unlikely person.

If you would like to write to Holiday Mathis, please go to www.creators.com and click on "Write the Author" on the Holiday Mathis page, or you may send her a postcard in the mail. To find out more about Holiday Mathis and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I need your advice on how to deal with my very violent father.

He knows no boundaries, has no respect for anyone and exerts zero control over himself. He is physically violent and verbally abusive.

He threw chairs at his 82-year-old mother and lost his temper at my cousin's wedding and made a huge scene.

Mom tolerated him, but he beat her and she nearly lost her hearing. My brothers stayed with him until they could go to college, and both are now in therapy for PTSD and anger issues.

I fled my father's house when I was 17. After 13 years, I still have nightmares about him.

My grandfather's 100th birthday is coming up, and my uncle arranged a big party.

Needless to say, the entire extended family is expected to attend. I will go and remain cordial to my father for Grandpa's

sake, but what do I do if he rages and tries to assault someone? — Worried Sick

Dear Worried: If Dad assaults anyone, call the police immediately. Do not get into a physical altercation with him. Make it about a crime being committed.

The fact that he is your father is no reason to tolerate his abuse or make excuses for him. Someone needs to stand up to the bully, and you sound like the only one brave enough to do it.

Dear Annie: My daughter-in-law is expecting our first grandchild, and I recently attended the first of two baby showers given for her.

I'm sorry to say, I was embarrassed and hurt by her behavior toward her guests.

She complained about her co-workers who did not show up. She barely acknowledged the gifts she was given, including

my handcrafted items for the nursery.

She criticized the hometown of many of the guests as "old and dirty" and said the stores there were inadequate to stock her gift registry.

I do not think I can bring myself to attend her second shower. Of course, speaking critically about her to my son would not be productive.

Should I go or not? — Embarrassed Mother-in-Law

Dear Mother-in-Law: Go. It's a shame your daughter-in-law is so grossly inconsiderate of her guests, but you will accomplish nothing by avoiding her celebrations.

She seems ignorant of basic manners and not too bright. The best way to help is to set a good example, without criticizing her.

If she disparages someone's hometown, you can chime in with, "But it can be such a charming place."

When she barely acknowledges a gift, fill in the blanks: "What a lovely platter."

This gives your daughter-in-law the opportunity to learn from you. But you also should do your best to make your daughter-in-law feel special at her shower.

It will mitigate any sense that you disapprove of her, and she will be more open to your suggestions in the future. And perhaps someone will give her an etiquette book as a gift.

Dear Annie: I'm a faithful reader, but I somehow must have missed the plea for forgotten Father's Day songs. If it isn't too late, here's one that I learned as a child (I'm 76). I hadn't thought of it in years. — J.R. in Manhattan Beach, Calif.

You are a wonderful Daddy, Dear old Daddy of mine.

You own a spot so deep

in my heart, That the stars no longer shine.

Your name will live on forever, Down through the fields of time.

There'll never be another to me, Like that wonderful Daddy of mine.

Dear Readers: Today is Family Day (casafamilyday.org). Studies show that children who eat dinner with their parents have a reduced risk of substance abuse. Please try to make meals a family event.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicate, 5777 W. Century Blvd., Ste. 700, Los Angeles, CA 90045.

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Legals

submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/comments.html and received within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

A notice of proposed final action that includes a response to comments and identification of any changes to the draft permit will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments, a hearing request, or requested to be on the mailing list for this application.

This mailing will also provide instructions for public petitions to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to request that the EPA object to the issuance of the proposed permit. After receiving a petition, the EPA may only object to the issuance of a permit which is not in compliance with the applicable requirements or the requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 122.

MAILING LIST. In addition to submitting public comments, a person may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Chief Clerk for this application.

INFORMATION. For additional information about this permit application or the permitting process, please contact the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of Public Assistance, MC-108, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or toll free at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at www.tceq.state.tx.us. Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained for Alon USA, LP, by calling Dr. Weinan Chen at (432)263-9214.

Notice Issuance Date: September 8, 2010

AVISO PARA UN PERMISO FEDERAL PARA OPERAR PRELIMINAR

PERMISO PRELIMINAR NUMERO: O1505

SOLICITUD Y PERMISO PRELIMINAR. Alon USA, LP, P.O. Box 1311, Big Spring, Texas 79721-1311, una planta Refineria de Petroleo ha presentado una aplicacion solicitud ante la Comision de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ, por sus siglas en ingles) para la renovacion de el del Permiso Federal de Operacion (en adelante denominado el Permiso), numero. O1505, Solicitud num. 13516, con el proposito de operar para autorizar la operacion de Big Spring Refinery. El area a la cual se refiere la solicitud esta las instalaciones ubicadas en interseccion de Refinery Road y Interstate Highway 20 East en la ciudad de Big Spring, Condado de Howard, Texas. Esta aplicacion fue solicitud fue presentada ante la TCEQ el 8 de Septiembre de 2010.

El proposito de un Permiso Federal de Operacion es mejorar el acatamiento general de las reglas que gobiernan el control de la contaminacion atmosferica, claramente definiendo todos los requisitos aplicables como estan definidos en el Titulo 30 delCodigo Administrativo de Tejas § 122.10 (30 TAC § 122.10, por sus siglas en ingles). El permiso preliminar no autoriza construcciones nuevas, ni tampoco el aumento de emisiones del sitio. El Director Ejecutivo de la TCEQ ha concluido el analisis tecnico de la aplicacion y ha preparado un permiso preliminar para la revision y comentarios del publico. El permiso preliminar, si es aprobado, establecera las condiciones bajo las cuales el sitio debera operar. El Director Ejecutivo de la TCEQ recomienda que se otorgue este permiso preliminar. La solicitud de permiso, la declaracion de base y el permiso preliminar estaran disponibles para ser revisados y copiados en la Oficina Central de la TCEQ, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building (Edificio) E, First Floor (primer Piso), Austin, Texas, y en la Oficina Regional de Midland, 330 North A Street,

Building 4-107, Midland, Texas 79705-5406 y la Biblioteca Publica de Condado de Howard, 500 South Main Street, Big Spring, Texas, empezando el primer dia de la publicacion de este aviso. En la oficina central y la regional tambien podra revisar y copiar todos las demas documentos pertinentes al permiso preliminar, asi como los permisos para el Examen de Nuevas Fuentes que han sido incorporados por referencia. Personas que tengan dificultades obteniendo estos materiales debido a restricciones para viajar pueden comunicarse con la sala de archivos de la Oficina Central al telefono (512)239-1540.

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Cualquier persona afectada por la emision de contaminantes atmosfericos de este sitio puede solicitar una audiencia de notificacion y comentarios. La TCEQ puede otorgar una audiencia de notificacion y comentarios con respecto a esta aplicacion si una peticion por escrito es presentada dentro de los treinta dias despues de la publicacion de este anuncio. El proposito de la audiencia de notificacion y comentarios es prover la oportunidad para someter comentarios orales o por escrito acerca del permiso preliminar. Si se concede una audiencia de notificacion y comentarios, todas las personas que presentaron comentarios por escrito o peticiones para audiencia recibirán confirmacion por escrito de la audiencia. Esta confirmacion indicara la fecha, hora y lugar de la audiencia.

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(Office of Chief Clerk), MC 105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, o por el internet la www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/comments.html, dentro de treinta dias despues de la publicacion en el periodico del anuncio del permiso preliminar.

Una noticia de la accion final, incluyendo respuestas a los comentarios publicos y denotando cambios hechos al permiso preliminar, sera remitida a todas las personas que hayan presentado comentarios publicos, solicitudes para audiencia o que hayan solicitado ser incluidas en la lista de correo. Esta noticia tambien proveera instrucciones para hacer peticiones publicas a la Agencia Para la Proteccion del Medio Ambiente (EPA), solicitado la reconsideracion de la accion final propuesta por el director ejecutivo. Al recibir una peticion, la agencia EPA solamente podra objetarse a la promulgacion de permisos que no se acaten a los requisitos de sus reglamentos o a los requisitos de 30 TAC Capitulo 122.

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Mas informacion puede ser obtenida de Alon USA, LP, en la direccion en el primer parrafo o llamando a Dr. Weinan Chen a el telefono (432)263-9214.

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DENNIS THE MENACE

Panel 1: "I'M SORRY IT COULDN'T BE BIGGER, MOM."

Panel 2: "IT'S NOT THE SIZE OF THE GIFT, DEAR... IT'S THE SIZE OF THE LOVE BEHIND IT."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

Panel: "Daddy knows where we've been by lookin' in the review mirror."

HAGAR

Panel 1: "I NEED A VOLUNTEER..."

Panel 2: "...TO TELL MY WIFE I WON'T BE HOME FOR DINNER, BUT UNFORTUNATELY, YOU WILL HAVE TO MISS THE UPCOMING BATTLE"

BLONDIE

Panel 1: "WELCOME BACK, BOSS! HOW WAS YOUR FLIGHT?"

Panel 2: "IT'S ALWAYS GREAT GOING FIRST CLASS, BUMSTEAD!"

Panel 3: "IN FACT, IT GAVE ME A TERRIFIC IDEA FOR MAKING OUR MEETINGS A LITTLE MORE INTERESTING"

Panel 4: "I HEARD THE BOSS IS GOING TO START CHARGING A FEE FOR FIRST-CLASS SEATING AT THE CONFERENCE TABLE"

Panel 5: "DOES THAT INCLUDE SNACKS?"

BC

Panel 1: "WOLF SPOTS SOMETHING BEHIND THAT BUSH!"

Panel 2: "...NOTHING HERE."

Panel 3: "SOME HUNTING DOG YOU ARE!"

WIZARD OF ID

Panel 1: "CAN YOU CONTACT MY DEAR DEPARTED GRANDPA?"

Panel 2: "YES"

Panel 3: "HE SAYS... HEY, FLOYD, I MISS... (0000XXX) ERROR ERROR (XX00)"

Panel 4: "WHAT?"

Panel 5: "SORRY, I'M STILL RUNNING 'VISTA'"

AGNES

Panel 1: "DID YOU MAKE YOUR BED?"

Panel 2: "I AM LIVING EACH DAY LIKE IT'S MY LAST."

Panel 3: "...AND IF THIS IS INDEED MY LAST DAY ON EARTH, I CAN HARDLY SEE WHY YOU CARE IF MY BED IS MADE."

Panel 4: "WOW... LAST DAY ON EARTH, AND I'M GROUNDED."

HI AND LOIS

Panel 1: "WHERE ARE YOU GOING?"

Panel 2: "OVER TO THIRSTY'S HOUSE."

Panel 3: "YOU HAVE YOUR BOOK CLUB HERE TONIGHT, RIGHT?"

Panel 4: "YES, BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO LOOK SO HAPPY TO GET OUT OF THE HOUSE."

THE OTHER COAST

Panel: "if there were a CHAT ROOM CODE OF ETHICS: I am an overweight, balding, unemployed alcoholic living in my parents' basement. So, tell me about you."

SNUFFY SMITH

Panel 1: "THAT DOES IT!! I QUIT!!"

Panel 2: "SOMETIMES MY LUKEY DREAMS HE'S WORKIN'!!"

Panel 3: "YEP!! MY SNUFFY DOES TH' SAME!!"

Panel 4: "YO'RE FIRED!!"

Panel 5: "'CEPT IN HIS DREAMS HE'S ALWAYS BOSS!!"

BEETLE BAILEY

Panel 1: "DIDN'T YOU READ MY BUMPER STICKER?"

Panel 2: "NO. WHAT DOES IT SAY?"

Panel 3: "I BRAKE FOR TAILGATERS"

This Date In History

Today is Monday, Sept. 27, the 270th day of 2010. There are 95 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 27, 1939, Warsaw, Poland, surrendered after weeks of resistance to invading forces from Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union during World War II.

On this date:

In 1540, Pope Paul III issued a papal bull establishing the Society of Jesus, or Jesuits, as a religious order.

In 1779, John Adams was named by Congress to negotiate the Revolutionary War's peace terms with Britain.

In 1854, the first great disaster involving an Atlantic Ocean passenger vessel occurred when the steamship SS Arctic sank off Newfoundland; of the more than 400 people on board, only 86 survived.

In 1928, the United States said it was recognizing the Nationalist Chinese government.

In 1942, Glenn Miller and his Orchestra performed together for the last time, at the Central Theater in Passaic, N.J., prior to Miller's entry into the Army.

In 1954, "Tonight!" hosted by Steve Allen, made its network debut on NBC-TV.

In 1964, the government publicly released the report of the Warren Commission, which found that Lee Harvey Oswald had acted alone in assassinating President John F. Kennedy.

In 1979, Congress gave final approval to forming the U.S. Department of Education.

In 1985, Hurricane Gloria brushed the Outer Banks of North Carolina as a Category 3 storm; it proceeded to head up the Atlantic Coast toward New England.

In 1994, more than 350 Republican congressional candidates gathered on the steps of the U.S. Capitol to sign the "Contract with America," a 10-point platform they pledged to enact if voters sent a GOP majority to the House.

Today's Birthdays: Former Illinois Sen. Charles Percy is 91. Actress Jayne Meadows is 88. Actress Sada Thompson is 81. Actress Kathleen Nolan is 77. Actor Wilford Brimley is 76. Actor Claude Jarman Jr. is 76. Author Barbara Howar is 76. Producer Don Cornelius ("Soul Train") is 74. World Golf Hall of Famer Kathy Whitworth is 71. Singer-musician Randy Bachman (Bachman-Turner Overdrive) is 67. Rock singer Meat Loaf is 63. Actress Liz Torres is 63. Actor A Martinez is 62. Baseball Hall of Famer Mike Schmidt is 61. Actor Cary-Hiroynki Tagawa is 60. Rock musician Greg Ham (Men At Work) is 57. Singer Shaun Cassidy is 52. Rock singer Stephan (STEE'-fan) Jenkins (Third Eye Blind) is 46.

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Newsday Crossword

NOT SO FAST by Gail Grabowski Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

ACROSS

1 March 17 honoree, for short

6 Fine shirt fabric

10 First part of a play

14 Pleasant scent

15 One of the Great Lakes

16 Active person

17 "Be patient!"

19 Thick piece

20 Wrote

21 Gains altitude

23 Midterm, for one

25 Painting or sculpture

26 Repeated word for word

30 Is sorry for

34 Combination of musical tones

35 Hay units

36 Sounds of surprise

38 Lubricates

39 Spectrum-showing device

40 Knock it off

41 Acted as a guide

42 Look happy

43 Doglike scavenger

44 Predict

46 Leather worker

47 Teacher's org.

48 Parade spoiler

50 Feeling guilty

54 Make null and void

58 Pool sticks

59 "Be patient!"

62 Army-medal recipient

63 Lip-balm additive

DOWN

1 Settled on the sofa

2 Ensnare

3 Jab with a finger

4 Prayer ending

5 No longer pure

6 Watermelon throwaways

7 Nest-egg letters

8 Mona ___ (famous painting)

9 Door openers

10 Stick (to)

11 "Be patient!"

12 Take care of

13 Annoys

18 Angry, with "off"

22 Elevator compartments

24 Mobile home

26 Environmental sci.

27 Head of a fire department

28 "Be patient!"

29 Hosp. sites

31 "If all ___ fails..."

32 Emerald or pearl

33 Glistened

35 French cheese

37 Prepare for a boxing match

39 Afternoon hrs.

40 Thesaurus entry, for short

42 Line made with a needle

43 Stumbling blocks

45 Motive

46 Wedding-cake level

49 Poker-pot fees

50 Post-workout feeling

51 Took to court

52 Dutch cheese

53 Ration (out)

55 CEO's "Right now!"

56 Drive-___ window

57 Part of EMT: Abbr.

60 Phone-book listings: Abbr.

61 Letter before tee

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