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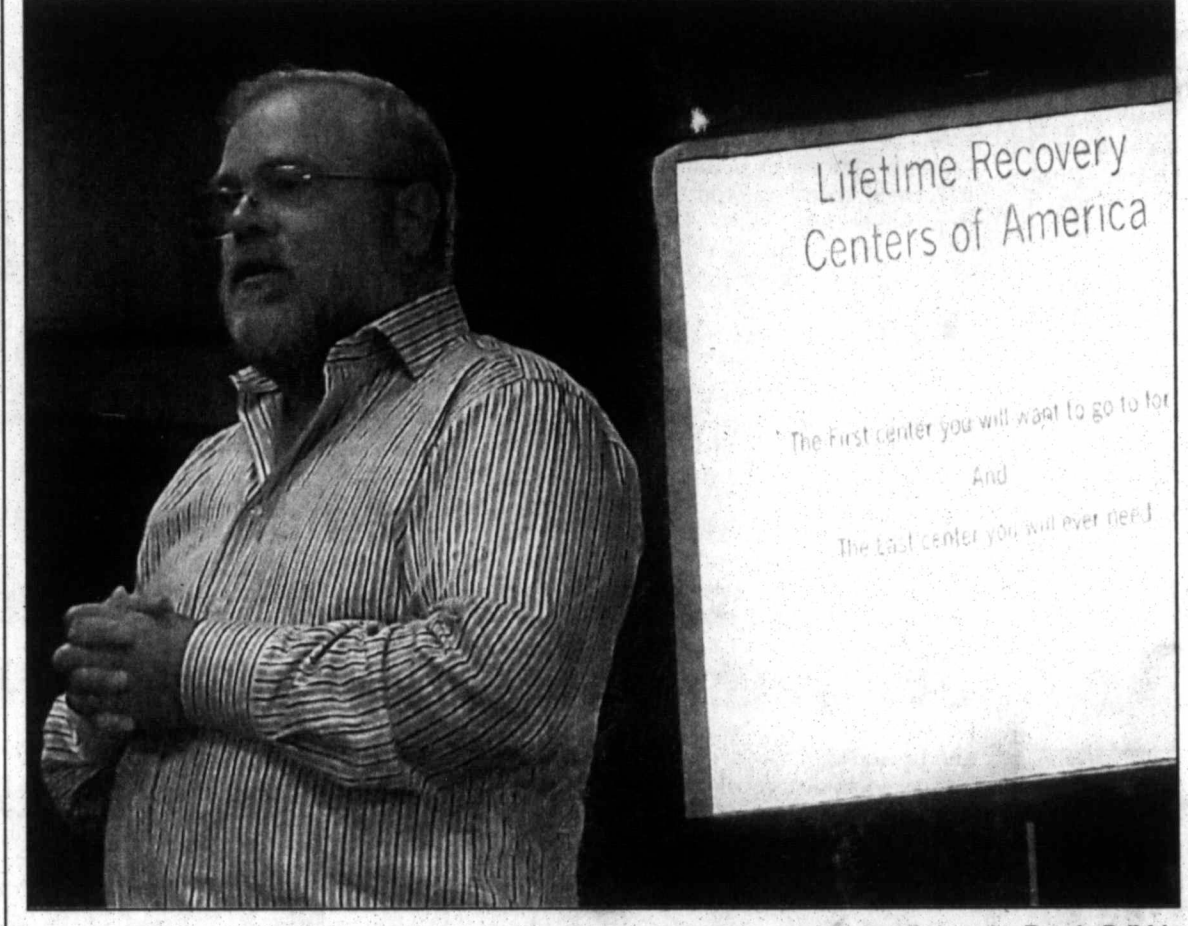
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## ROAD TO RECOVERY



David Smith addresses an audience of community leaders at the Pampa Country Club on Wednesday during a luncheon introducing Lifetime Recovery Centers of America, a plan to build an alcohol and drug rehabilitation facility in the city.

### Smiths look to build rehab center in Pampa

**ARNIE AURELLANO**  
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Mac Smith stood at the door of the banquet room at the Pampa Country Club, a big smile on his face as he shook hands with several prominent members of the city's government, civic organizations, school board and media. "Thanks for coming," he said to Chamber of Commerce Director Joe Weaver. "We hope we made an impression."

From the roar of approval he got from his audience, saying that he made an impression might be a bit of an understatement.

Mac, along with his father David, held a luncheon presentation on Wednesday afternoon to announce their intention of building a large-scale alcohol and drug rehabilitation treatment facility in Pampa. The Smith family, who have long been involved in the local oil business, invited many community leaders to hear the center's founda-



Mac Smith

know our vision and our goals to get them on board. We feel that this is something that Pampa really needs."

"We're calling it Lifetime Recovery Centers of America," said Mac. "We're basically focusing on being a community-based recovery center. We want to come into Pampa, build a center in Pampa and stay here. We want to grow this town, grow this community, and help people while we do it."

The Smiths said that helping people who are dealing with addictions to drugs and alcohol

is a very dear subject to the family.

"I'm a recovering alcoholic myself," said David. "I want to do everything I can to help people avoid what I've seen for myself. I just have a passion to do fundamentally two things: help people and help Pampa. This is something that I think will accomplish both of those things."

Mac said that he wants the Lifetime Recovery Center not just to address a local issue, but eventually a national one as well.

"I've had some people come to me and say, 'Mac, is there even really a need for something like this?' I can tell you without a doubt there is."

"Drugs are just tearing this country apart. They're tearing this town apart. The efforts that people are making are not really working. The national war on drugs I think we can all agree

## Traffic at airport up, says board

**DAVID BOWSER**  
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The new hotels and business activity in Pampa and surrounding counties have increased the traffic at Perry Lefors Airport, according to Paul Loyd of the airport board.

Loyd was only one of the officials attending a meeting today with Texas Department of Transportation Aviation Division officials at the M.K. Brown Room in the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Building.

Daniel Benson, an airport planner with TxDOT who hosted the meeting this morning, said there were seven airports in five counties in the eastern panhandle.

They included two, Perry Lefors and McLean Airports, in Gray County.

Representatives spoke to the **AIRPORT** cont. on page 2

## Firefighters to host Sat. breakfast

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Pampa's firefighters are looking to welcome the visiting Cal Ripken baseball teams this weekend with an offer any athlete can appreciate: breakfast.

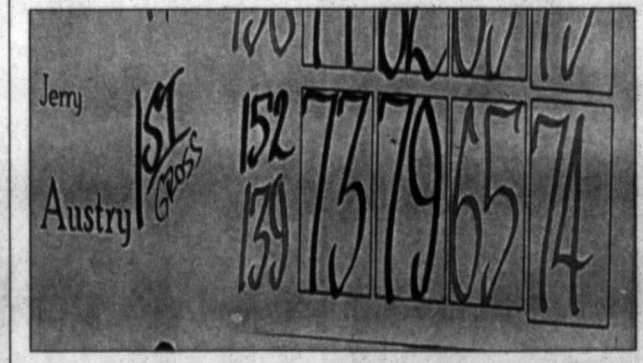
The firefighters are hosting a breakfast benefit from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday at the Optimist's Club, with proceeds going towards the Firefighters' Association and its various causes.

The association, which has a long-standing relationship with the Optimist's Club, will be serving pancakes, sausages, bacon, orange juice and coffee, all for \$5 at the door. Breakfast burritos will also be available for \$2.

"We're happy to provide a meal for the visiting kids and their families, and every one here in Pampa as well," said Capt. Jerry Tomaschik of the Pampa Fire Department. "Hopefully, it'll

## TRI-STATE SENIORS TOURNEY TRI-STATE TRIUMPH

**Jerry Austry** (right) of Fort Worth accepts the overall champion trophy from Tim Sadler of the Pampa Country Club. Austry won a two-hole playoff with a 110-yard shot using a sand wedge to defeat Roy Don Stephens in the Tri-State Seniors Golf Tournament today. *Final results and pictures are on page 8.*



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Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		
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**Tonight:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 67. Windy, with a south wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

**Friday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 93. South southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

**Friday Night:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 68. South wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

**Saturday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 91. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

**Saturday Night:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 68. South wind 5 to 15 mph becoming northeast. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.

**Sunday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 89. North wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south.

**Sunday Night:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 68. South southeast wind around 10 mph.

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The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. Thursday.

#### Wednesday, July 21

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Jerry Lynn Norwood, 45, was arrested by deputies on a capias pro fine warrant in connection with an expired operators license.

Francisco Sotero Cruz, 33, was arrested by deputies on charges of violation of parole in connection with forgery and possession of a controlled substance - Potter Co., and violation of parole in connection with forgery.

Donnie Lee Shipley, 45, was arrested by officers on charges of theft by check.

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## Obituaries

There are no obituaries today.

## Airport

economic status of each county and the needs for airport improvements.

On the whole, oil and gas development in Lipscomb, Hemphill and Wheeler Counties appeared to be driving the economies of not only their counties but of the service centers in Gray and Ochiltree Counties as well.

Benson explained a series of federal and state funding options available to local airports for airport improvements.

Most offer cost-sharing funds to local government, he said.

The Capital Improvement Program for large scale projects offers government funding for 90 percent of major projects such as runways and taxi ways.

The Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP) offers 50 percent funding for smaller scale repairs.

Loyd said Gray County has been able to use the RAMP program with good results.

He said there are plans for future renovations at Perry Lefors Airport using other grant money.

Most of the county and airport officials at the meeting agreed that oil and gas activity was fueling the growing econo-

mies in the area.

"Oil and gas has really jumped up," Loyd said.

Hemphill County Judge Steve Vandiver credited horizontal drilled with increased oil production in his county.

"Business is booming," he said.

But he also warned that many airports need to upgrade their runways as heavier corporate jets replace twin-engine propeller driven planes.

Roberts County Judge Vernon Cook commended the TxDOT Aviation Division for their efforts

in improving area airports.

He noted that while the Miami airport has only a few planes based at its facility, there is an increasing interest in flying as confirmed by more student pilot activity.

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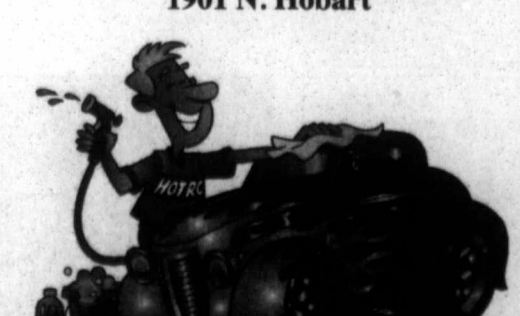
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## House set to OK jobless benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress is one House vote away from resuming unemployment payments to millions of people whose benefits have lapsed as the nation suffers through a wretched job market.

President Barack Obama is set to sign the bill as soon as Congress can ship it to him. The Senate broke through months of stalemate in passing the measure Wednesday by a 59-39 vote. The House was expected to pass it around midday Thursday.

Some 2.5 million people who have been out of work for six months or more and have seen their jobless benefits lapse would receive back payments within a few weeks.

Obama promised to sign the measure quickly once the House acts and denounced the "weeks of parliamentary roadblocks by a partisan minority" that had stalled approval in the Senate.

"Americans who are working day and night to get back on their feet and support their families in these tough economic times deserve more than obstruction and partisan game-playing," Obama said in a statement Wednesday night.

## Obama conveys regret to Sherrod

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama has conveyed "his regret" to former Agriculture Department official Shirley Sherrod over her ouster in the midst of a racially-tinged firestorm, the White House said Thursday.

"The president told Ms. Sherrod that this misfortune can present an opportunity for her to continue her hard work on behalf of those in need," the statement said, "and he hopes that she will do so."

Sherrod was forced to resign by her superiors earlier this week after a conservative blogger posted an edited video of her recalling her reluctance 24 years ago to help a white farmer seeking government assistance. She says the posting took her speech out of context.

The statement from press secretary Robert Gibbs' office came at midday Thursday and followed a host of nationally broadcast interviews that Sherrod had given earlier in the day. From network to network, she said she wanted to talk to Obama about her wretched week. But also said she felt there was no need for him to apologize to her, as Gibbs and Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack had earlier.

The White House said that Obama called Sherrod at midday Thursday, hours after her television interviews.

## Storm races toward BP well

ON THE GULF OF MEXICO (AP) — A tropical depression racing toward the Gulf of Mexico Thursday increased pressure on BP and the U.S. government to decide whether to evacuate dozens of ships at the site of the ruptured oil well.

Forecasters at the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami said the storm system, which has already caused flooding in Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic and Haiti, could become Tropical Storm Bonnie later Thursday and reach the Gulf of Mexico by Saturday.

Seas already were choppy in the Gulf Thursday, with waves up to five feet rocking boats as crews prepared to leave if needed. Nonessential vessels like barges and skimmers will likely be sent back to shore, Commander Terri Jordan told the crew of the Coast Guard cutter Decisive at a midmorning briefing.

She said they were awaiting an evacuation order. "We are going to be here until everyone is safe and out of here," Jordan said.

## UT freshmen need vaccine

AUSTIN (AP) — Thousands of freshmen and new students flocking to Texas colleges for the start of classes next month must first get the vaccine against often fatal bacterial meningitis before they'll be allowed to move into campus dorms.

The state law requiring the vaccine for all new students who live on campus, including those at private universities, went into effect on Jan. 1, but the fall semester will bring the first large wave of new students to campuses since the law went into effect. Texas is among about a dozen states that now require the vaccine.

Previous attempts to require the vaccine failed until 2009 when state lawmakers were lobbied by the family of University of Texas student Jamie Schanbaum, who became infected as a sophomore in November 2008. Schanbaum had to have both legs amputated below her knees and lost most of her fingers.

hasn't been the resounding success that we were all promised. We're out to do what we can to help the nation's addicts and see if we can't do our part to help their recovery — for them personally and for this nation."

"There's over 20 million Americans using illicit drugs," he continued. "I don't know about you all, but that's way too many in my book. That's way too many cocaine users, marijuana users and prescription drug users."

Mac continued sharing statistics. About a fifth of Americans participate in binge drinking (five or more drinks in one sitting). Seven percent reported being heavy drinkers (five or more drinks on at least five times a month). Twelve million drunk driving. Twenty-two million dependent on drugs. Three million in Texas alone stuck on marijuana, cocaine, or pain pills.

"Those statistics, they aren't just numbers," Mac said. "They're people, and each one of them has a different story. Each one has a family. Any of those people who we can erase from those statistics will count as a success."

Mac said that the facility will be based on "whole person recovery" — that is, facilitating recovery in all aspects of addiction.

Addiction, he explained, isn't just a mental or physical affliction, but a spiritual and emotional one as well. As such, the center will run a 12-step program that also incorporates job training, psychological counseling, spiritual support and community service projects.

"We want to reconnect these people to society," he said. "Part of our mission statement is helping people overcome addiction in a way that fuels and rejuvenates their lives."

Of course, the Smiths added, the center's goal is not only to help people combat their addictions, but also to provide an economic boost to Pampa as well.

"We have been here in Pampa for a long time and we love this community," David said. "We believe in this community and we want to do

what we can to help it succeed."

As such, according to Mac, all the building for the proposed center will be based on local contractors and labor. All contracted work, such as printing, will be based on local businesses.

The center's business plan, Mac continued, calls for bringing in new people to Pampa to resuscitate the city's flagging job market.

"Pampa has lost a bunch of jobs of late. We've been losing a lot of population. We've been losing a lot of tax dollars. We're losing the high paying, high education jobs, and that's something we want to help with, too."

The Smiths project hiring 52 new employees in 2011, 24 of which will be making over \$61,000 a year (\$26,000 more than Pampa's current average). Inside of five years, the Smiths are hoping for 285 employees, a number that expands to 1,800 after a decade.

All of these employees, Mac emphasized, are going to be based in Pampa, pouring money into the local economy.

"The sum is basically in five years, we're hoping for an extra \$18 million in Pampa's economy," Mac said. "Over 10 years, we're talking about \$101 million dollars into Pampa's economy just through tax dollars."

Money for development and construction, according to the Smiths, will come mostly from personal funds and private contributions. The goal, said David, is to accomplish as much as possible without asking for money from local taxpayers.

"We're going to do everything we can to do the opposite of that," said David. "We didn't bring people here today to ask for money."

"Instead of taking any money from the community, we want to do everything we can to push as much back to the community as we can," agreed Mac.

Mac also said that the long-term goal is to be able to give money back to other Pampa and Gray County-based civic groups and organizations, such as the PISD, PEDC and

Clarendon College. He added that the center hopes to work extensively with the school system to provide ongoing youth education against the dangers of drugs and alcohol.

As for the perceived negative impact of a rehabilitation center in a community, David dismissed the concerns as being unfounded.

"We cannot find one shred of empirical evidence that shows us that a treatment center increases crime in that community," he said. "Not one shred of it. In fact, we see the opposite."

He went on to describe a similar center in California that treats 156 people a year and brings in \$69 million to its local area.

"This isn't something that brings crime to a city. It's something that brings professionals, thinkers, jobs and money. It will only mean good things."


The Smiths acknowledged that their proposal is an ambitious one, but as David said, this is more than just a new business moving into town.

"When you dream about doing something, you can choose to dream down here, or you can expand your thinking and dream up here," David said. "It's going to take the exact same amount of energy to fulfill that dream."

"You plan the foundation. You make sure it's strong. You bring in as many thinking people as you can aboard. You accept help from every area around you and you build something great."

"We can do this here in Pampa, Texas. We have the capability. We have the minds to do it. We have the energy to do it... Today, we've got a chance to start something big together. The whole goal is to help families, help communities, help churches, help a city, help a state and help a nation."

"We want to help people," echoed Mac. "That's what we're really all about. There's a lot of people in the world who need help, and we want to be the ones to give it to them. We're here to help, we're ready to help, and we're ready to go."

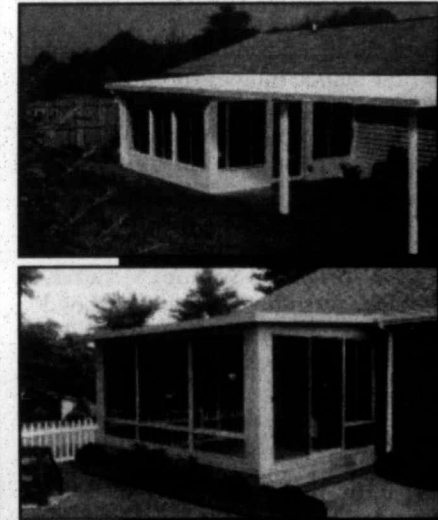


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# Viewpoints

## Letter to the editor

### Resident objects to code warning

To the Editor:

I wish to send out a warning to citizens of Pampa since I received a notice for what they said was violating a city code about trash in the alley which is not true.

I have used fence lumber neatly leaned up against my storage building which I will use when I get family help. Lumber and firewood.

I have confronted the city several times about so-called violations and proved them wrong.

Some people tell me you can't contest the city. There are a number of times we didn't, that we could have, about treatment of family members by city, county or an individual, but it costs money.

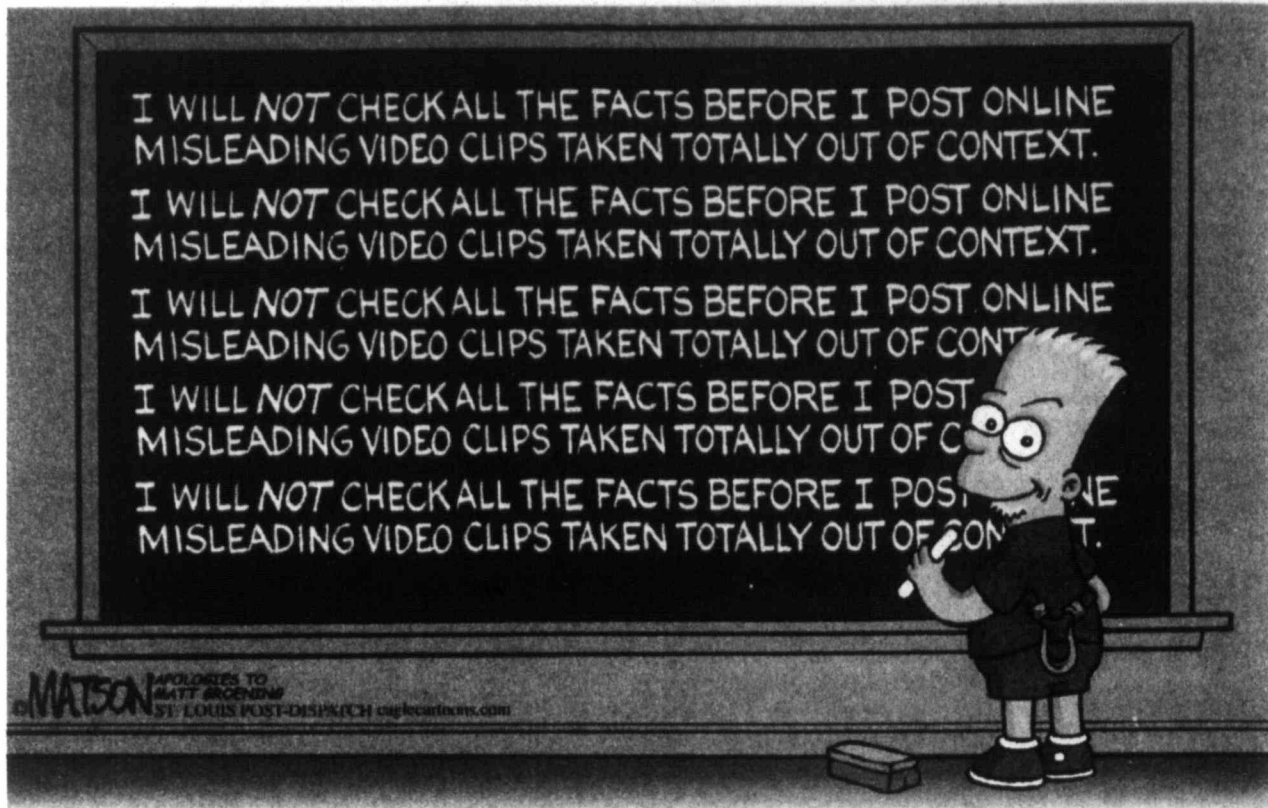
I am glad to be an American so far, but the future is in question and am not glad to have been a Pampa taxpayer for 38 years.

I am proud to come from two honorable families who were among the very first settlers in the Texas panhandle, one helping Charles Goodnight start the J.A. Ranch in Palo Duro Canyon in the 1870's.

After going to combat in Europe during World War II, I don't fear too much confronting a city. Not having a long time to live on this earth, I would at least like to enjoy most of it.

Thanks citizens for Memorial and Veterans days.

Lowell Heckman  
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## Today in History

Today is Thursday, July 22, the 203rd day of 2010. There are 162 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On July 22, 1934, bank robber John Dillinger was shot to death by federal agents outside Chicago's Biograph Theater, where he had just seen the Clark Gable movie "Manhattan Melodrama."

### On this date:

In 1587, an English colony fated to vanish under mysterious circumstances was established on Roanoke Island off North Carolina.

In 1796, Cleveland, Ohio, was founded by General Moses Cleaveland (correct).

In 1916, a bomb went off during a Preparedness Day parade in San Francisco, killing ten people.

In 1933, American aviator Wiley Post completed the first solo flight around the world as he returned to New York's Floyd Bennett Field after traveling for seven days, 18 and 3/4 hours.

In 1937, the Senate rejected President Franklin D. Roosevelt's proposal to add more justices to the Supreme Court.

In 1942, the Nazis began transporting Jews from the Warsaw Ghetto to the Treblinka concentration camp.

In 1943, American forces led by General George S. Patton captured Palermo, Sicily, during World War II.

In 1946, Jewish extremists blew up a wing of the King David Hotel in Jerusalem, killing 90 people.

In 1975, the House of Representatives joined the Senate in voting to restore the American citizenship of Confederate General Robert E. Lee.

In 1995, Susan Smith was convicted by a jury in Union, S.C. of first-degree murder for drowning her two sons. (She was later sentenced to life in prison, and will not be eligible for parole until 2024.)

**Ten years ago:** President Bill Clinton, in Japan for a Group of Eight summit, addressed U.S. troops on Okinawa, where he said they "need to be good neighbors" with the island's residents.

**Five years ago:** Jean Charles de Menezes, a Brazilian electrician, was shot to death by London police who'd mistaken him for a terrorist. A labor agreement ended an NHL lockout that canceled the previous hockey season.

**One year ago:** President Barack Obama told a prime-time press conference that Cambridge, Mass. police had acted "stupidly" in the arrest of prominent black scholar Henry Louis Gates Jr., and that despite racial progress, blacks and Hispanics were still singled out unfairly for arrest. Earlier, the president met at the White House with Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki. Millions of Asians witnessed the longest solar eclipse of this century; in some areas, totality lasted as long as six minutes and 39 seconds.

**Today's Birthdays:** Former Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole (R-Kan.) is 87. Singer Margaret Whiting is 86. Actor-comedian Orson Bean is 82. Fashion designer Oscar de la Renta is 78. Actress Louise Fletcher is 76. Rhythm-and-blues singer Chuck Jackson is 73. Actor Terence Stamp is 72. Game show host Alex Trebek is 70. Singer George Clinton is 69. Actor-singer Bobby Sherman is 67. Movie writer-director Paul Schrader is 64. Actor Danny Glover is 63. Actor-comedian-director Albert Brooks is 63. Rock singer Don Henley is 63. Movie composer Alan Menken is 61. Singer-actress Lonette McKee is 57. Jazz musician Al Di Meola is 56. Actor Willem Dafoe is 55. Rhythm-and-blues singer Keith Sweat is 49. Actress Joanna Going is 47. Actor Rob Estes is 47. Folk singer Emily Saliers (Indigo Girls) is 47. Actor John Leguizamo is 46. Actor-comedian David Spade is 46. Actor Patrick Labyorteaux is 45. Rock musician Pat Badger is 43. Actress Irene Bedard is 43. Actor Rhys Ifans (rees EYE'-fanz) is 43. Actor Colin Ferguson is 38. Rock musician Daniel Jones is 37. Singer Rufus Wainwright is 37. Actress Franka Potente is 36. Actress A.J. Cook is 32. Actress Selena Gomez is 18.

Thought for Today: "I hold that man is in the right who is most closely in league with the future." - Henrik Ibsen, Norwegian dramatist (1828-1906).

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## Fed chief to Congress: Don't end stimulus spending

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke told Congress Thursday that the fragile economy still needs government stimulus spending to strengthen the recovery and help reduce unemployment.

Testifying before the House Financial Services Committee, Bernanke did urge lawmakers to come up with a credible plan to reduce the government's record-high budget deficits in the long run. But he said they shouldn't move now to slash spending or boost taxes in the near future.

"I believe we should maintain our stimulus in the short term," Bernanke said as he spoke about the economy's challenges for the second straight day on Capitol Hill.

Bernanke again said the Fed is prepared to take new steps to bolster the recovery if needed.

"We are ready, and we will act" if the economy doesn't continue to improve, Bernanke told the House panel.

But he refrained from repeating comments made

earlier in the week, that he didn't anticipate the Fed taking new action in the near term. Those comments to the Senate Banking Committee sent stocks tumbling Wednesday. The market on Thursday recovered those losses after another strong batch of earnings revived optimism on Wall Street.

Bernanke is under growing pressure to keep the recovery going because there's little appetite in Congress to provide a major new stimulus package.

The Fed chief made his comments as the panel's highest-ranking Republican, Rep. Spencer Bachus of Alabama, and other Republican members, complained about the effectiveness of President Barack Obama's \$862 billion stimulus package. That has increased government spending and cut taxes at a time when most Republicans and some Democrats are worried about the government's exploding red ink.

"The economic recovery is anemic at best," Bachus

said, arguing that the stimulus package hasn't delivered.

Bernanke's remarks also come as tax cuts by President George W. Bush are set to expire at the end of this year.

The economy is slowing as consumers cut back spending under the strains of 9.5 percent unemployment, lackluster wage gains, sagging home values and chipped nest eggs.

Businesses are wary of hiring and expanding because they are uncertain about the strength of their sales and the strength of the rebound. Some private economists fear the recovery could fizzle.

If the recovery were to flash serious signs of backsliding, the Fed could revive programs to buy mortgage securities or government debt. It could cut to zero the interest rate paid to banks on money left at the Fed, although

there are some technical difficulties raised by such a move, Bernanke said. The Fed also could create a new program to spark more lending to businesses and consumers in a bid to lure them to ratchet up spending and grow the economy.

Rep. David Scott, D-Ga., complained about a lack of "aggressiveness" on the part of the Fed to tackle high unemployment. And, Rep. Gary Peters, D-Mich., wondered why the Fed wasn't taking new steps to stimulate the economy now.

Despite growing threats to the recovery, Bernanke said the Fed continues to believe the economy will grow modestly this year and avoid sliding back into recession. Some disappointing economic data hasn't been bad enough for Fed policymakers to "radically change our outlook," he said.

## US home sales decrease, unemployment claims up

WASHINGTON (AP) - The economic recovery is weakening in the face of falling home sales and rising claims for unemployment benefits, new data showed Thursday.

Sales of previously occupied homes fell 5.1 percent in June to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.37 million, the National Association of Realtors said.

Meanwhile, new claims for unemployment insurance jumped by 37,000 to a seasonally adjusted 464,000, the Labor Department said. Seasonal factors boosted new requests for benefits. Still, first-time claims remain elevated, pointing to a sluggish job market.

Separately, the Conference board, a private research group, said its gauge of future economic activity dropped in June. It was the second decline in three months. The leading indicators gauge had risen almost every month since April 2009 as the economy rebounded from recession. But weakness in the housing sector, faltering consumer spending and high unemployment have raised fears about a big slowdown in growth.

The housing industry has struggled the past two months since government incentives ended in April, even though home prices are low and mortgage rates

have reached the lowest levels in decades. High unemployment, tight credit and a rise in foreclosures have kept many people from buying.

"The economy and the housing market are going to remain stagnant for a long time," said Sam Khater, senior economist at real estate data provider CoreLogic. "There's nothing that's going to propel sales anytime soon. It's all about jobs and income growth."

First-time jobless claims jumped after falling the previous week to the lowest level since August 2008. But much of that drop was driven by temporary seasonal factors and not an improving job market.

Two weeks ago, General Motors and other manufacturers reported fewer temporary layoffs than usual this time of year, a Labor Department analyst said. Last week's rise partly reflects the fading of that trend.

Before seasonal adjustments, claims actually fell by 13,113 to 498,022, the department said.

Sal Guatieri, senior economist at BMO Capital Markets, said the report suggests that businesses will add a net total of less than 100,000 new employees in July. That's not enough to quickly reduce the unemployment rate, he said.

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# Breakfast

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attract a lot of people out there."

Tomaschik said that the Firefighter's Association enjoys working with Optimist's Club — and, in general, the youth of Montgomery County — toward making the Pampa community a better place

for kids.

"We try to have an interest in anything involving our children," said Tomaschik. "We have our Shoe Fund scholarship in the fall, and there's the Angel Tree gifts around Christmas time, that kind of thing."

"The stuff we do with the Optimists, that's close to a lot of us, especially. It's a lot of fun for both us and the kids."

"It helps us, too. If we can get to them in a benevolent way, planting seeds early for fire prevention, that's great."



## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a 20-year-old female who has recently come to terms with the fact that I am bisexual. My problem lies in the fact that I am strongly attracted to one of my best friends. I have liked her for several years, and she is a large part of the reason I discovered I was bisexual. I know she is straight and won't ever feel the same about me, but every time I'm around her, my romantic feelings for her start up again.

It has reached the point where I'm considering avoiding her to stop these feelings. None of my close friends are gay, and I don't feel comfortable discussing this with them. Is there any way I can still be friends with her without being so intensely attracted to her?

**— ATTRACTED TO MY BEST FRIEND**  
**DEAR ATTRACTED:** You can do something about your actions, but not about your feelings. You will probably always be attracted to your friend. You will be less attracted — and better able to handle your feelings — once you have become involved with someone else.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been seeing "Rodney" for four months. He is very nice, and we get along well. My problem is I am not totally attracted to him be-

cause of some dental issues. Shortly after we started dating he told me he chews tobacco, which has contributed to his yellowing teeth. Because of this I find it hard to kiss him. Rodney has noticed it, but I told him I am not big on kissing — which is really not the case.

How should I approach the subject with Rodney? This issue keeps me from completely falling for him. Please offer me some advice if you can. — **TURNED OFF IN SOUTH CAROLINA**

**DEAR TURNED OFF:** If you truly care about Rodney, confront the subject directly, because if he doesn't do something about his addiction to tobacco, your romance won't last. Tell him you weren't honest about how you feel about kissing and that his breath and yellow teeth have kept you from fully enjoying it.

Most people don't realize how dangerous and addictive chewing tobacco is. Studies show that the amount of nicotine in the bloodstream of "chewers" is twice as great as for smokers. Chewing tobacco is a cause for cancer of the mouth, lip, tongue, cheek and throat, heart disease, tooth decay and receding gums, as well as halitosis (bad breath).

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**DEAR ABBY:** When I was in college, I dated "Alex." Three months later I found out he had a steady girlfriend, "Jane." Over the next two years Alex continued to cheat on Jane with me because Jane wouldn't have sex with him. I finally told her what had been going on because I was angry, and I ended the relationship with Alex.

Ten years have passed, and I hear they are being married. Do you see anything weird/strange/wrong with that? If a man cheated on me and later proposed marriage, I wouldn't accept because the thought of the other woman would always be on my mind. Would you share your thoughts? — **DUMBOUNDED IN MINNEAPOLIS**

**DEAR DUMBOUNDED:** OK. I think it's time you stopped obsessing about a relationship that ended 10 years ago. It appears Jane has waited a long time for Alex to get serious — and now he has. What happens after they marry will be her problem, not yours. Let it go and concentrate on your own life.



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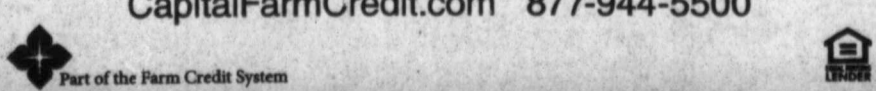


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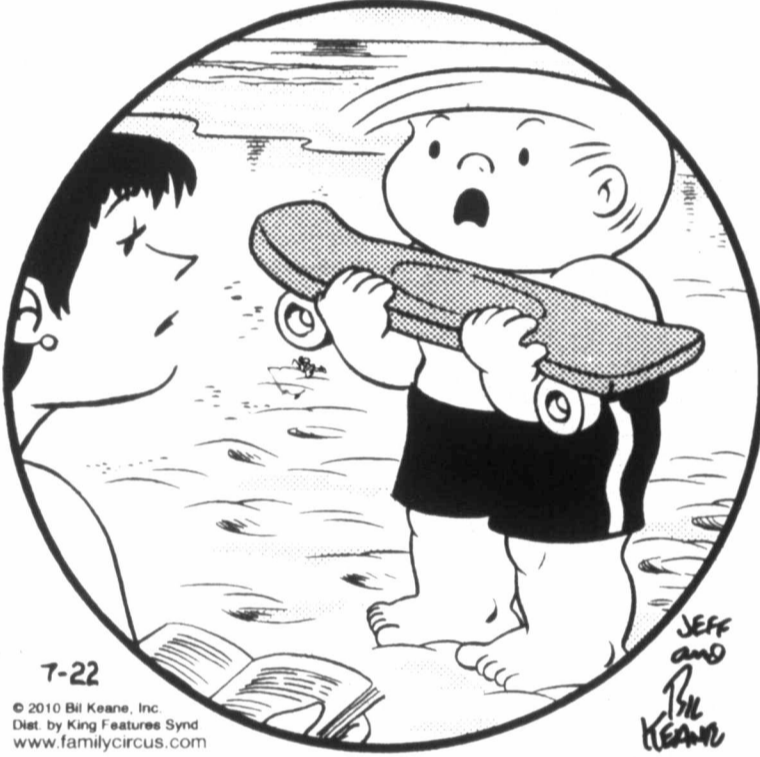


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By Bil Keane



"Where can I ride my skateboard?"

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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  - 1 Humorst reward
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  - 46 "— bien!"
  - 13 Famed lover
  - 14 Rocker John
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  - 41 Pal, to Pedro
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## Daily Horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Friday, July 23, 2010:

This year, you come up with excellent solutions when focused. Perhaps you spend too much time judging your performance at work and in other areas. Realize what you have to offer as opposed to what you don't do well. A foreigner, education or perhaps a spiritual type of experience opens you up even more. If you are single, someone very different easily could sashay into your life. Though this person might not be a life mate, it certainly is an experience. If you are attached, the two of you can gain through pursuing a hobby together or perhaps actually planning that special trip. CAPRICORN might push you harder than you want.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) \*\*\* You feel as if you must handle certain obligations, like it or not. You have shared possibilities openly. No one but you will carry a project to the finish line. How you approach work and your obligations might be up for revision. Tonight: A force to behold now that the weekend is here.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 21) \*\*\*\*\* Take advantage of an ability to back off your position and view a matter more clearly. Check in with several respected friends who also have a different view. Detach, and you'll find answers more easily. Understanding and empathy evolve as well. Tonight: Skip your normal routine.

**GEMINI** (May 22-June 20) \*\*\*\*\* Use a meeting to obtain

results. You could be surprised by how this specific group changes its focus. An unexpected insight points to a new direction. Achieving a desired goal might take longer than you anticipated. Tonight: Chat over munchies. Relax with friends.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) \*\*\*\*\* Defer to others. Understand what needs to happen in order to move key people back into your life. Perhaps they need to process as you did. Help them along. Don't allow yourself to be distracted from key benchmarks.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\* Whether you like it or not, you are in the trenches, and any work left undone will tumble on you. A delay might be aggravating yet necessary to solidify plans. Not everything is as you believe it is. Quietly read the tea leaves. Tonight: Off running errands, playing it low-key.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\*\* Your creativity flourishes as you breeze through one issue after another. A partner whose support you count on could suddenly feel soft, or not as committed. Look at your options in the next few weeks. Tonight: So happy it is the weekend!

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\* Many of you want to stay close to the givens, especially as you sense a change in the wind. Pressure builds, as others seem to need your feedback and attention. How you handle pressure comes out. Tonight: Snuggle in rather than go out.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\*\* Keep conversations moving. How you handle a change and what you are doing on an active level define your ability to achieve a goal. A project needs to slow down in order to see if there are

any problems. Tonight: Visit with your pals.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\* Be aware of the costs before you OK a project or idea. Emotional or financial risks might pay off, but understand that you could have a backfire. A partner or associate is great at spending your funds. Tonight: Indulge a friend or loved one.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\*\* Express yourself and don't hold back any longer. The Moon in your sign adds energy and charisma. Others sense your power. A family member or domestic issue needs handling sooner or later. Tonight: All smiles.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* You might want to pull back some. You see someone's support and caring yet notice a change in his or her attitude. Consider sitting back and becoming more observant. Don't beat yourself up for a misjudgment. Tonight: Mysteriously vanish.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\*\* Observe your influence in a meeting. Dealing with others individually might not be as effective. Note some very dramatic changes within your circle of friends. You might wonder what is going on. Don't challenge your friends. Tonight: Where the action is.

**BORN TODAY** Actor Daniel Radcliffe (1989), guitarist Slash (1965), radio personality Don Imus (1940) \*\*\*

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# Sports

## Austry overall winner after playoff in Seniors tourney

**ANDREW GLOVER**  
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Jerry Austry lost his son before he competed in his first Tri-State Seniors Tournament and wanted to win the tournament in his memory.

Mission accomplished. With a nice wind, using a sand wedge, Austry knocked in a ball from 110 yards on Thursday to win the overall gross in a playoff.

Austry defeated Roy Stephens and said he was

excited about the win, but didn't see his ball go in.

"It was an unexpected shot that went in the hole," Austry said. "It was a hard hole because it was very easy to hit the ball to far. Club selection was very important. I couldn't see the hole, Roy (Stephens) saw it go in."

Stephens said he was 20 yards in front of Austry when he made his shot.

"I saw it bounce in the hole," Stephens said. "I knew I was done."

Austry said making it in

the hole from 100 yards or more isn't anything new to him.

"It's in my wheelhouse," Austry said. "It was about four-yards closer than my farthest shot. It worked pretty good."

Austry said he enjoyed his first tournament and looks forward to returning.

"They (Pampa Country Club) have some nice greens," Austry said. "It's a nice golf course. I will be back next year."

Over 100 people participated in the tournament.



staff photo by **Andrew Glover**  
**Bob Miller** putts one in the hole Wednesday at the Tri-State Seniors Golf Tournament. Miller won the net score in the 74 to 79 years old Division with a 131.

### Final Results Scores listed by Net, Gross

#### Ladies Division

##### Net

First—Joyce Rasco 141

Second—Marcie Welborn 142

Third—Johnnie Marx 149

Fourth—Lynette Keel 150

##### Gross

First—Sheri Haynes—173

Second—Joyce Swope—174

Third—Judy Rice—176

Fourth—Jimmie Thompson—191

##### 9-hole Division

Dr. Joe Donaldson—48

Tom Murphy Jr.—51

O.C. Penn—52

Bob Curry—54

##### 50-65 Yrs. Old Division

First Net—Robert Jacob 134, 199

First Gross—Merlin Rose 142, 154

Second Net—Sam Haynes 136, 162

Second Gross—Kelly Everson—137, 154

Third Net—Gary Hudson 139, 174

Third Gross—Duane Pittman 145, 155

Fourth Net—Ken Wright 143, 182

Fourth Gross—Tommy Tomlinson 151, 159

Ron Harding 148, 162

Alan Leach 148, 178

Gerald Rasco 149, 183

Danny Helton 152, 162

Bob Spurlock 153, 191

Pat Montoya 154, 178

Johnny Gilbert 164, 202

Richard Stowers 167, 223

Carlos Cortez 170, 202

Wayne Wilson 200, 250

##### 66-69 Yrs. Old Division

First Net—Don Adams

138, 153

##### First Gross, First Overall—Jerry Austry 139, 152

First Gross—Roy Stephens 138, 152

Second Net—Howard Reed 144, 170

Second Net—Gerrel Owens 144, 194

Second Net—Ron Parnell 144, 161

Third Gross—Gary Bowe 146, 159

Fourth Gross—J.C. Staples 146, 164

Ronnie Wood 145, 171

Dick Maxey 147, 165

Bert Adams 148, 169

Ron Lasater 148, 190

Randall Cross 150, 184

Richard Peet 151, 181

Jerry Stephens 152, 184

Larry Vereen 153, 173

Glynn Lusk 155, 197

Tom Murphy III 157, 177

Butch Scholenbarger 73, 85

##### 70-73 Yrs. Old Division

First Net—Jim Osborne 131, 184

First Gross—Eddie Rice 132, 145

Second Net—Darwin Bailey 135, 156

Second Net—Bill Fontenot 135, 168

Second Gross—John Cunningham 133, 151

Third Gross—Scott Mack 139, 153

Fourth Net—Bo Cook 137, 159

Fourth Net—Gladwin Gillispie 137, 170

Fourth Gross—Bill McLeod 143, 154

William Auvenshine 139, 160

Bill Kelly 139, 176

Ted Jett 141, 161

Carl Sanders 141, 174

Bill Allison 142, 169

Eldon Maxwell 151, 169

Roy Morris 162, 210

James Richardson 162, 210

Warren Chisum 86, 112

##### 74-79 Yrs. Old Division

First Net—Robert Miller 131, 162

First Gross—J.C. Beyer 135, 160

First Gross—Dick Hearne 138, 160

Second Net—Angelo Rodriguez 140, 174

Third Net—Doyle Munkres 141, 177

Third Gross—Ed Whinery 145, 164

Fourth Net—Sam Bass 142, 188

Fourth Gross—Jeff Walker 143, 167

Bob Hulsey 142, 182

Jack Cox 143, 181

Bob Porter 145, 195

Bobby Pigg 146, 171

Bob Swope 150, 186

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Stavenhagen—151, 185

John Haynes 153, 183

Ken Pierce 163, 179

##### 80-89 Yrs. Old Division

First Net—Bill Scholz 138, 175

First Gross—Gene Hall 141, 163

Second Net—Don Russell 143, 185

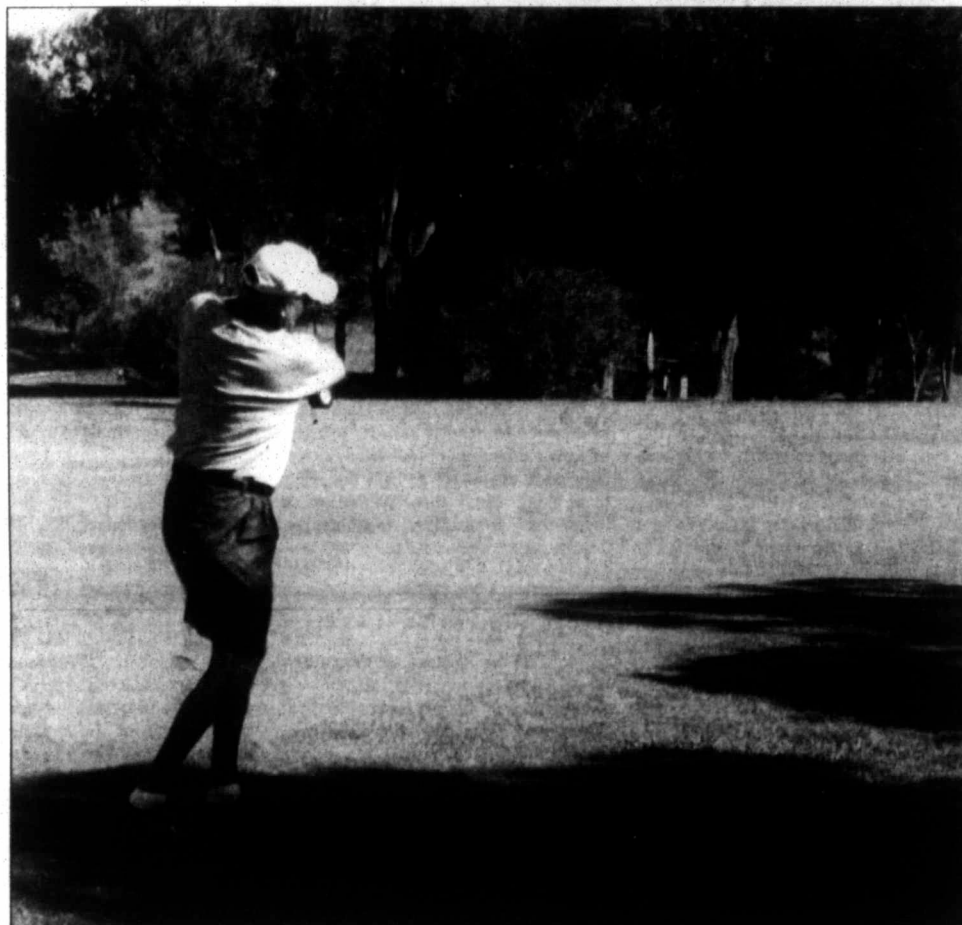
Second Gross—Steve Stevens 143, 175

Third Net—Delmer Jones 146, 204

Third Gross—James Cunningham 158, 200

Fourth Net—Dick Stowers 79, 103

Fourth Gross—Don Riffe 69, 87



staff photo by **Andrew Glover**  
**Eddie Whinery** aims to get his ball closer to the green during Wednesday's action in the Tri-State Seniors Golf Tournament at the Pampa Country Club.



staff photo by **Andrew Glover**

**J.C. Beyer** chips one on the green from the edge of the sand trap Wednesday. Beyer finished first in gross in the 74 to 79 years old division.

## Hidden Hills results

### Seniors 4-man scramble at Hidden Hills

First- 62

Bob Henderson

Charlie Rithaler

Jim Bridges

Charlie Rand

Second- 62

Jim Brashears

Ray Covalt

Marvin Allison

Bill Harwood

Third- 64

Jerry Dorman

Calvin Lacy

Lucio Moreno

Dwight Brown

Fourth- 64

Larry Neighbors

James Lee

Gary Brewer

Dale Butler

Closest to the hole # 6

Bill Hammer

Closest to the hole # 15

Charlie Rithaler

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