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Deputy slain; arrest ends standoff

BIG LAKE/Lawman shot while answering complaint of 'personal nature' at home

BY ANDREA SINCLAIR
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What began as an attempt to contact a suspect at a residence in Big Lake resulted in the death of Reagan County Sheriff's Deputy Josh Mitchell and turned into a 17-hour standoff between his alleged shooter and authorities, including

Posted on lubbockonline.com and A-J on iPad 9:45 a.m. Thursday

Lubbock County Sheriff's Office SWAT. Mitchell, 26, went to a house near 11th and Main streets in Big Lake around 6 p.m. Wednesday, responding to what Reagan County Sheriff Jeff Garner said was a complaint of a "personal nature." Mitchell went to speak with Marcus Wade Madison, 42, who then allegedly shot the deputy, fatally wounding him, Texas Highway Patrol Senior Trooper Sparky Dean said. Mitchell was taken to Reagan Memo-

rial Hospital in Big Lake, where he was pronounced dead.

Madison was arrested on a warrant for attempted capital murder and had what appeared to be a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the face, Dean stated in a news release.

At about 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Madison was arrested on a warrant for attempted capital murder and a search warrant



Madison

How to help

■ A benefit fund has been set up at Security State Bank in Big Lake under Deputy Josh Mitchell's name.
 ■ Anyone wanting to make a donation can mail it to P.O. Box 929, Big Lake, TX, 76932, or they can call the bank's main office at (432) 333-9901.

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Beyond The Caprock Six Flags will close two rides next month

ARLINGTON — Six Flags Over Texas will be closing two longtime rides as summer winds down.

A statement Thursday from the Arlington amusement park says the Texas Chute Out and Flashback will be open through Labor Day.

Spokeswoman Sharon Parker declined to elaborate on the pending closure or say whether any new rides are planned.

The Texas Chute Out opened in 1976 and was modeled after the old parachute drop at Coney Island. Park officials estimate more than 29 million people have tried the ride.

Flashback, which opened in 1989, is a boomerang-style steel coaster with a corkscrew-spiraled layout that flips riders. An estimated 17 million people have ridden Flashback.

Six Flags Over Texas is operated by Six Flags Entertainment Corp.

Online: <http://www.sixflags.com/overTexas/index.aspx>

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2 Things Inside (That will make you smarter)

Dear Abby: Woman shouldn't stew over her late husband's old letters to a past flame. **Page B4**

Heloise: Are antibacterial products harmful to a septic tank? **Page B4**

In Tomorrow's A-J

Our new faith page will include Beth Pratt's column on the miracle of stretch fabric and stretching the moral fabric of our lives. **SECTION B**

Words Of Inspiration

Select capable men from all the people — men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain — and appoint them as officials over the people. (Exodus 18:21) We cry out to You, O Lord, that we will vote in such men in the United States of America.
 Sydney Louise Larsen, Lubbock

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Weather
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Fraud suit against Beakleys dismissed

COURTS/Judge leaves door open for family to refile case

BY WALT NETT
 AVALANCHE-JOURNAL

A federal judge in Dallas has dismissed a \$10 million securities fraud suit filed earlier this year against members of Lubbock accountant John W. Beakley's family.

U.S. District Judge Jane J. Boyle, however, left the door open for former Lubbock minister Samuel K. Douglass and sons Mark, Timothy and Scott to refile the case within 30 days if they could overcome the reasons the Beakley family's attorneys raised in seeking dismissal.

Attorneys for the Beakleys asked in March

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Grant helps Tech lure researcher

TEXAS TECH/State cancer prevention institute awards \$2.5 million to school

BY BRITTANY HOOVER
 AVALANCHE-JOURNAL

Texas Tech was awarded a \$2.5 million grant to help attract leading cancer researcher Igor Sokolov to the university.

The Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas announced Thursday funding of more than \$114 million to support cancer-fighting efforts in Texas, according to a news release.

This is the first scientist recruited for an Investigators Performing Translational Research: Established Investigators award

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STEPHEN SPILLMAN ● AVALANCHE-JOURNAL

Avalanche-Journal reporter Brittany Hoover, left, works on tackling techniques with Missy Watson during Texas Tech coach Tommy Tuberville's Women's Football Clinic on Wednesday.

They're game



STEPHEN SPILLMAN ● AVALANCHE-JOURNAL

Chelsey Hopson works on lineman drills during the Women's Football Clinic.

FOOTBALL/A-J reporter joins other women for eye-opening experience at football clinic

BY BRITTANY HOOVER
 AVALANCHE-JOURNAL

Neil Brown doesn't often consult his wife regarding the X's and O's of his coaching philosophy.

But the annual Tommy Tuberville Women's Football Clinic is an exception. "Talk about something they're interested in," she had told Texas Tech's offensive coordinator.

"Well, some of them re-

ally are interested in what we do, football stuff," he said.

"Well, some of them really aren't," she had rebutted.

Brown geared his 20-minute "chalk-talk" sessions with the five groups of 20-plus women to their interests, letting them vote on their uniform combinations; giving them

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Want More? To see a slide show from the clinic, visit lubbockonline.com and A-J on iPad.

Benefit aims to boost reward for missing teen

BY STACIA D. SMITH
 AVALANCHE-JOURNAL

The family and supporters of missing 15-year-old Mark Anthony Ysasaga hope to raise more than \$1,000 on Sunday at a haircut benefit to add money to the current reward.

Mark's mother, Anna Ysasaga-Cuevas, announced at a La Fuerza

meeting Thursday night the family will host a haircut benefit at Perfected Talent Salon and Barbershop with all proceeds going toward the Mark Anthony fund.

Janie Ybarra, a friend of the family, wants to raise at least \$1,000 at the benefit so they



Ysasaga

can increase the current reward amount of \$2,000.

"When we were out at the car show, kids came up and asked if (the reward) was legit," Ybarra said during the meeting Thursday. "Somebody knows something. Whether it's going to take \$500 more, I don't know what it's going

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