



**SMU in the News**  
**Highlights from Jan. 6-13, 2015**

**Alumni**

SMU alums Amber Venz Box, Baxter Box among D CEO magazine's up-and-coming technology entrepreneurs

<http://www.dmagazine.com/publications/d-ceo/2015/january-february/new-faces-of-dallas-technology-sector>

SMU alums Shawn Gentry, Viren Balar and Raymond Howard behind development of the Ziosk table tablets at Chili's restaurants

<http://www.dmagazine.com/publications/d-ceo/2015/january-february/ziosk-tablets-chilis-restaurants>

SMU alumnus Hubert Zajicek among D CEO magazine's inaugural winners of the Excellence In Healthcare Awards

<http://healthcare.dmagazine.com/2015/01/09/the-inaugural-winners-of-d-ceos-excellence-in-healthcare-awards/>

SMU alumna Amy Acker Q&A about a new Hallmark Channel movie, still a Texan at heart

<http://www.dallasnews.com/entertainment/television/headlines/20150109-qa-amy-acker-on-adding-romance-to-her-resume-whataburger-dreams.ece>

SMU alumnus Cole Beasley becoming a Cowboys star

<http://www.dallasnews.com/sports/dallas-cowboys/headlines/20150109-how-paperboy-looking-cole-beasley-became-cowboys-romo-friendly-star.ece>

SMU alum Bradley Wilson e-commerce technology brings jobs to Dallas/U.S.

<http://dfw.cbslocal.com/2015/01/05/e-commerce-technology-leads-to-job-growth-in-dallas/>

**News**

**Associated Press**

Brian Stump, Dedman, U.S.G.S. records earthquakes in North Texas

<http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/us-geological-survey-records-small-quakes-north-texas-28049231>

**National Geographic**

Brian Stump, Dedman, are injection wells causing earthquakes?

<http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2015/01/150107-texas-earthquakes-cause-injection-wells-fracking-science/>

**National Journal**

Bernard Weinstein, Cox, low gas prices a good time to impose a federal gas tax hike

<http://www.nationaljournal.com/policy/insiders/energy/is-the-time-right-for-a-gas-tax-hike-20150105>

**NBC National**

Heather DeShon, Dedman, are earthquakes becoming a new trend in Texas?

<http://www.nbcnews.com/nightly-news/are-earthquakes-texas-becoming-new-trend-n282621>

**Broadway World**

Will Power, Meadows, Dallas Theatre Center to premier Power's new musical *Stagger Lee* this month

<http://www.broadwayworld.com/dallas/article/Dallas-Theater-Center-to-Stage-World-Premiere-of-New-Musical-STAGGER-LEE-Begin-121-20150109>

### **CBS DFW**

SMU seismologists install a seismometer in Irving to help determine location of quakes

<http://dfw.cbslocal.com/2015/01/05/smu-team-studies-recent-irving-earthquakes/>

and here

<http://dfw.cbslocal.com/2015/01/05/smu-team-studies-recent-irving-earthquakes/>

and here

<http://dfw.cbslocal.com/2015/01/05/scientists-hope-seismograph-will-find-exact-location-of-irving-quakes/>

and here (second item)

<http://keranews.org/post/despite-immigration-politics-texas-leads-country-refugee-resettlements>

and here

<http://www.nbcdfw.com/news/local/SMU-Professor-Studies-Irving-Earthquakes-287495641.html>

and here

<http://uk.reuters.com/article/2015/01/06/us-usa-texas-earthquake-idUKKBN0KF1HX20150106>

and here

<http://thescoopblog.dallasnews.com/2015/01/smu-seismologist-researchers-are-hoping-to-locate-irving-quakes-not-find-whats-causing-them.html/>

and here

<https://www.texastribune.org/2015/01/06/amid-new-swarm-quakes-researchers-head-irving/>

### **D Magazine**

SMU student Nick Valenta among *D CEO* magazine's up-and-coming technology entrepreneurs

<http://www.dmagazine.com/publications/d-ceo/2015/january-february/new-faces-of-dallas-technology-sector>

Chuck Dannis, Cox, on-the-ground insights in real estate

<http://www.dmagazine.com/publications/d-ceo/2015/real-estate-annual/disrupting-dallas-real-estate-coverage>

### **Dallas Morning News**

SMU seismology lab has three seismometers recording quakes in Irving

<http://thescoopblog.dallasnews.com/2015/01/north-texas-rattled-by-quake-estimated-to-be-in-the-mid-3-magnitude-range-per-usgs.html/>

Brian Stump, Dedman, biggest earthquakes yet hit Irving

<http://www.dallasnews.com/news/community-news/northwest-dallas-county/headlines/20150107-biggest-quakes-yet-hit-irving-and-shake-up-cities-around-north-texas.ece>

and here

[http://blogs.dallasobserver.com/unfairpark/2015/01/one\\_more\\_this\\_morning\\_makes\\_10\\_what\\_the\\_hell\\_is\\_going\\_on\\_with\\_these\\_earthquakes.php](http://blogs.dallasobserver.com/unfairpark/2015/01/one_more_this_morning_makes_10_what_the_hell_is_going_on_with_these_earthquakes.php)

and here

<http://www.wfaa.com/story/news/local/dallas-county/2015/01/06/irving-earthquake-north-texas/21352091/>

and here (picked up from AP)

[http://www.nytimes.com/aponline/2015/01/07/us/ap-us-north-texas-earthquakes-.html?ref=us&\\_r=0](http://www.nytimes.com/aponline/2015/01/07/us/ap-us-north-texas-earthquakes-.html?ref=us&_r=0)

and here

[http://digital.bizjournals.com/launch.aspx?eid=94cd9a12-d617-45ea-8497-28ad735ab785&ana=e\\_ph\\_dig&u=vX6EprjIMiL3OUXuRkqUC/anml&t=1420816044](http://digital.bizjournals.com/launch.aspx?eid=94cd9a12-d617-45ea-8497-28ad735ab785&ana=e_ph_dig&u=vX6EprjIMiL3OUXuRkqUC/anml&t=1420816044)

Heather DeShon, Dedman, earthquakes in Irving spark safety drills and insurance sales

<http://www.dallasnews.com/news/local-news/20150107-spate-of-dallas-area-quakes-sparks-safety-drills-insurance-sales.ece>

SMU seismologists, editorial, more quakes, more questions

<http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/editorials/20150108-editorial-more-quakes-and-more-questions.ece>

Heather DeShon and Beatrice Magnani, Dedman, what's the cause of Irving earthquakes?  
<http://www.dallasnews.com/news/metro/20150110-whats-at-fault-scientists-seek-cause-of-irving-earthquakes.ece>

SMU staffer/playwright Jonathan Norton and Will Power, Meadows, commissioned play *The 67th Book of the Bible* to be performed Jan. 19 at the Dallas City Performance Hall  
<http://www.dallasnews.com/business/columnists/robert-miller/20150111-martin-luther-kings-letter-from-the-birmingham-jail-forms-the-basis-of-a-new-play.ece>

Perkins, a luncheon focusing on the role of faith in business hosted on campus this week  
<http://www.dallasnews.com/news/community-news/park-cities/headlines/20150112-smu-will-host-faith-business-luncheon.ece>

#### **Dallas Observer**

SMU staffer/playwright Jonathon Norton, nicely, and humorously, profiled  
[http://blogs.dallasobserver.com/mixmaster/2015/01/100\\_dallas\\_creatives\\_no\\_20\\_playwright\\_jonathan\\_norton\\_man\\_of\\_many\\_words.php](http://blogs.dallasobserver.com/mixmaster/2015/01/100_dallas_creatives_no_20_playwright_jonathan_norton_man_of_many_words.php)

#### **FOX DFW**

Bernard Weinstein, Cox, record low oil and gas prices concern industry experts  
<http://www.fox4news.com/story/27765979/record-low-oil-gas-prices-concern-industry-experts>

#### **KERA**

Ezra Greenspan, Dedman, talks about his book *William Wells Brown: An African American Life*  
<http://www.kera.org/2015/01/07/a-voice-for-civil-rights/>

Heather DeShon, Dedman, earthquakes are new, but not unique, to Dallas area  
<http://keranews.org/post/earthquakes-are-new-not-unique-dallas-area>

Bernard Weinstein, Cox, low oil prices could cause layoffs  
<http://keranews.org/post/downside-cheap-prices-gas-pump-oil-field-layoffs>

Ben Voth, Meadows, what the great debater James Farmer can teach us today  
<http://keranews.org/post/what-great-debater-james-farmer-can-teach-us-today>

SMU seismologists to address the Irving city council about earthquakes  
<http://keranews.org/post/dallas-focuses-earthquake-preparedness-quakes-continue-rumble>

Brian Stump and Heather DeShon, Dedman, talk about the earthquakes in North Texas  
<http://www.kera.org/2015/01/13/why-earthquakes-in-dallas/>

#### **NBC DFW**

Brian Stump, Dedman, earthquakes in Irving  
<http://www.nbcdfw.com/news/local/Earthquake-Felt-in-Fort-Worth-Dallas-Irving-287697091.html>

Brian Stump, Heather DeShon, Dedman, more seismographs in Irving after earthquakes  
<http://www.nbcdfw.com/news/local/SMU-to-Deploy-22-More-Seismographs-in-Irving-287841561.html>

#### **Politifact**

Bernard Weinstein, Cox, NBC's Chuck Todd claims there are estimates of a Texas recession if all unauthorized immigrants deported  
<http://www.politifact.com/texas/statements/2015/jan/09/chuck-todd/chuck-todd-says-there-are-estimates-texas-recessio/>

#### **Science Codex**

Andrea Meltzer, Dedman, women are happier with their bodies when told that men desire larger body women

[http://www.sciencecodex.com/women\\_who\\_are\\_told\\_that\\_men\\_desire\\_largerbody\\_women\\_are\\_happier\\_with\\_their\\_weight-148770](http://www.sciencecodex.com/women_who_are_told_that_men_desire_largerbody_women_are_happier_with_their_weight-148770)

**Southeast Texas Record**

Matthew Wilson, Dedman, in spite of recent legislation, Merry Christmas in public schools is remains a matter for the courts

<http://setexasrecord.com/news/300844-public-schools-usage-merry-christmas-still-ultimately-matter-courts>