

# Health & Vitality Center to close its doors

Some health products will be offered at Some Things, others will be available for special orders

By Jolene Guzman  
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DALLAS — Unless a sales offer comes in at the last minute, Dallas Health & Vitality Center on Oak Street will close its doors at the end of this month.

Owner Laurie Vail will hold a liquidation sale, which began Tuesday and will run through June 27. The sale will feature discounts on merchandise and will include equipment and furniture.

Vail said after nearly five years, the business she opened to help people avoid driving out of town to find all-natural and gluten-free food and supplements is requiring too much time away from her family.

Her husband, Mike Berkes, runs Some Things in downtown Dallas, which meant both spent their days in separate stores. Vail said

## Closeout sale

**What:** Dallas Health & Vitality Center liquidation sale.  
**Where:** 184 SE Oak St., Dallas.  
**When:** June 2 through June 27, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. However, the schedule may vary so check with the store for open days.  
**For more information:** 503-623-5161 or www.dallashealthstore.com/.

often they aren't able to see each other until dinner-time — sometimes not until 8 p.m.

"I've not only put that relationship on the back burner, but the relationships with my grandkids and friends," Vail said. "There's no life when you have two businesses."

Her first option was to sell the business to someone who wanted to keep the center open, but interested buyers soon figured out the same thing Vail did — running the business takes a

heavy time commitment.

Vail said on May 26 that there had been plenty of interest, but no serious offers by her deadline. The yoga and massage business that occupies the second-floor rooms will remain open, continuing to lease space from the building owner.

For loyal customers of the store, there is a little good news — Vail won't be leaving the business entirely. She will set up a small section of high-demand supplements, essential oils, herbs and personal care items in Some Things. She also will continue to fill special orders.

Vail said it was Berkes' idea to incorporate some of Dallas Health & Vitality into his business. It seemed a natural fit because she was going to be helping out in his store part-time each week.

"I will be able to stay in the health and wellness in-



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The Dallas Health & Vitality Center is holding a liquidation sale through June 27 before closing. Owner Laurie Vail said she tried to sell the business, but no offers were made.

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## Military Mistress arrested in Texarkana

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TEXARKANA, Texas — The woman known as the Military Mistress didn't get away this time, but it's unlikely she will be facing charges in Oregon any time soon.

Bobbi Ann House, aka



House

Bobbi Ann Finley, was arrested May 22 by a Bowie County Sheriff's deputy in Texarkana, Texas, on a warrant out of Lampasas County, Texas. Officials in Bowie County said officers with Lampasas County

picked up House on Monday.

House is wanted in Oregon on charges of unlawful use of a motor vehicle and several counts of negotiating insufficiently funded checks, but Marion County Sheriff's Office spokesman Chris Baldrige said, at this time, she will not be extradited.

She was implicated on a check fraud spree in April that totaled \$13,500 and in-

doors on a business is sad-denning. "We loved being here and doing what we do," Vail said. "There were a lot of tears shed."

"I've made some beautiful, lifetime friendships, but it all comes down to time."

"We aren't one of the hardest hit counties," Baldrige said.

House's husband, Zack-erie House, of Dallas was not taken into custody in Texas.

"Her husband was not arrested, nor is he a suspect in our case," Baldrige said.

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**Sudoku**  
Difficulty: ★★★★★

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7	9	1	4	3	8	5	2	6
8	5	3	6	2	1	9	4	7
6	2	4	5	9	7	1	3	8

**How to do Sudoku**  
Fill in the grid so the numbers 1 through 9 appear just once in every column, row, and three-by-three square. See example above.

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