## Editorial: Remembering James Dunn, who said he changed my diapers

July 8, 2015

Fireworks flashed a little less brightly and boomed a little less loudly this Fourth of July. Earlier that day, James Dunn left America for heaven. Our republic is a little less free and a smidge less strong for his passing.

### Editorial: Changing culture, a drama in three acts

July 8, 2015

The stunning rapidity of American society's shift toward homosexual rights—embodied particularly in the Supreme Court's affirmation of samesex marriage in *Obergefell v. Hodges*—sets the stage for a drama in three acts.

## Editorial for the Fourth: To restore America, humbly seek the greater good

July 8, 2015

Our nation celebrates its 239th birthday this week. Wave your tiny flag if you perceive the pow has gone out of the firecrackers and believe the boom has gone out of the bottlerockets. Something is wrong with America, and just about everybody senses it.

# Editorial: Same-sex marriage—church divided, but liberty protected

July 8, 2015

Same-sex marriage is the law of the land. Outcries to the contrary, the Supreme Court's *Obergefell v. Hodges* decision did not herald the demise of religious liberty in America.

## Editorial: A quarter-century after the SBC holy war

July 8, 2015

This past week marked the 25th anniversary of the final battle in the Southern Baptist holy war. The former combatants noted the occasion appropriately: They got on with current business.

## Editorial: Juneteenth—celebration & metaphor

July 8, 2015

Texans will mark a vital—although historically embarrassing—milestone this week. We'll celebrate the 150th anniversary of the freedom of Texas slaves.

#### Editorial: Kill the death penalty

July 8, 2015

Nebraska became the 19th state—and the first conservative state in 40

years—to eliminate the death penalty. Texas—long the leader in executing criminals—should follow suit.

## Editorial: Irish gays, U.S. religion & the future of faith

July 8, 2015

One the surface, Ireland's vote to legalize same-sex marriage and the Pew Research Center's recent survey of American religion may not have much in common. But together, they describe the church's enormous challenge confronting secular culture.

# Editorial: Religious landscape isn't as bleak as the numbers appear

July 8, 2015

The latest paint-by-numbers picture of the Texas religious landscape looks similar to, but subtly different than, the national mural. What you see in them depends upon how you look at them.

## Editorial: The BGCT's divide—not what you think

July 8, 2015

Serving on and working for the Baptist General Convention of Texas' Executive Board always has been challenging. It's getting harder year-by-year.

## Editorial: Church involvement; how much is enough?

July 8, 2015

How much of themselves should laypeople give to their church? This is more than an idle question. The answer will determine whether U.S. Christianity attempts to fulfill the Great Commission or declines into obscurity.

## Editorial: Race, class, equal opportunity & the church's job

July 8, 2015

Baltimore rarely crosses Texans' consciousness, except when the Orioles or the Ravens play our ball teams. But it's been on our minds lately.