By Melissa Guz
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"The city council has not been proactive on this," said Councilman Brian Doherty, according to Councilman
"For myself, it would cost me about $800 a year..." said Melissa Miller, a 36-year-old full-time employee of an Arizona small business. "I can't afford that. I can't pay $800 a year to keep my health care." Miller and others, like her, have been part of the growing movement of people across the country who are struggling with the cost of health care.

According to a new report from the Commonwealth Fund, a leading health policy think tank, the cost of health care is the leading concern for American workers. The report found that 62% of workers are worried about the cost of health care, with 44% saying they are very concerned.

"Many people are finding that their health care costs are simply unaffordable," said Dr. Daniel Grossman, a senior scholar at the Commonwealth Fund. "And this is not just about the cost of insurance. It's also about the cost of prescriptions, doctor visits, and other medical services." Grossman said that the report highlights the fact that the cost of health care is a major issue for workers across the country.

In Arizona, the cost of health care is a particularly pressing issue. A recent study found that the average monthly premium for a family health plan in Arizona was $905. This is the highest premium in the country, and it is more than twice the national average.

"The cost of health care is simply unaffordable for many workers in Arizona," said Stavropoulos. "We need to find a way to make health care more affordable for all workers, so that we can ensure that everyone has access to the care they need to stay healthy and thrive."
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Goodyear lends a hand with Tombstone water

By Natalie Schwartz

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Eldridge never had a trainer during her lifting career. "I would just look at the records. If there was a record, I would try to beat that record," she said.

Our mayor, Doherty, said, "It's hard to believe. It's a gift that was given to us."

Eldridge's belt, she said, "You have to have that mentality. You put yourself and your mind into it and play tough and strong or go home," she said.

City officials will be working with Doherty, Tombstone City Water and sewage department officials to figure out how to get the water running.

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The mayor was speaking to someone, he believes it was his father, and he asked, "Is this the thing you bought that was too expensive to run the town?"

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She competed and won fourth place because of the movie "Tombstone," released in 1993. After a series of events after the movie was released, she decided to lift.

It was her. Only the woman who when she saw the police in the park, she knew she was in the right place.

"Well, that's me," said Eldridge. "I was right there, but after that, I was right there, but after that, I was right there, but after that."

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**By Julia Etters**

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I was a single gal looking for a cowboy. I arrived in Tombstone around 5:30 p.m. on Saturday afternoon. Before my search began, I consulted my trusted local guidebook, and as per the guidebook, the posse had come just in time for the Sadie Hawkins Day events. As I searched for the starting line, all of the bachelor lists and sign-up sheets, I came across a small levee, I approached one of the ladies in charge, Susan Sinsley, and appar- ently I was the only participant. Who would I choose? Sue, the head of the local posse. She man- nered up to rug a cowboy for me and I was more than happy to accept. My cowboy’s name was Barrett; his father, who began to join in on Sue’s task, was called Dusty. Eventually Carl and Owen Soller, a couple visiting from Denver, decided to join in on the fun. I was overjoyed to have another couple to complete my trio.

**By Nick Scala**

The Tombstone Epitaph

School’s track teams strive for more success

By J.Y. Yang

The Tombstone Epitaph

Without a track to call its own, the Tombstone High School track team has been successful for years. The boys and girls track teams, which have to travel 45 minutes to and from practice daily, have kicked off training for the upcoming season and plan to strive toward making another successful one.*

The boys are the reigning 2A-Division-state champions, are on the spot to make this year a special one. While the girl’s track team islooking to make it back to the state meet and top its eighth-place performance from last year. This season looks very promising for the teams, despite the presence of the younger athletes.

Anchored by senior Erik Patten, the assistant state qualifier to graduation, the boy’s team is made up of athletes that have the most experience in the state, the rest and the Lady Yellow Jackets have five.

“We are going to try to look at our little school the best way we can and hope that we can help our kids have a chance to learn,” said Worley.

Senior Sam Kramer, one of the returning state qualifiers, and most experienced on the team, will be a key figure in the team’s success this season. The rest, all of the members are willing to do what it takes to get back to the state meet.

January 2011, the Lady Yellow Jackets began their season at their first away meet at Marana. The meet was held by the local track and field meet director, Larry Bulleit.

“Plan to qualify in all of those events, maybe a few more,” said Worley.

And then the team continued their season at the state meet for four events: the Boy’s 100 meters, 400 meters, 200 meters and the triple jump. Another key moment was the team's win toward senior Devron Brown to lead the team with a third place finish.

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