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By Marv Knox

Editor

WACO-A Baylor University investigation has determined "insufficient evidence" exists to remove Jaclanel McFarland from the Texas Baptist school's board of regents.

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The Baylor University Alumni Association will host "A Baylor Family Dialogue" from 2 to 4 p.m. Friday, July 18, at a new venue-the Ferrell Center on the Baylor campus.

The event, which is open to the public, also can be viewed through a live webcast at www.BaylorTV.com.

The alumni association is staging event so members of the Baylor family can participate in a dialogue with Baylor administrators and regents concerning the challenges and opportunities currently facing Baylor, said Todd Copeland, director of operations and editor of The Baylor Line.

Commentary: Is 2012 Baptist?_72803

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Is 2012 Baptist?

By Carey Newman

Baylor University's 2012 vision statement, a sweeping declaration of the university's 10-year aspirations, has attracted national attention. The

responses have ranged from curiosity ("Just what is it that Baylor hopes to do?"), to well-wishing envy ("I hope Baylor succeeds and sure wish my alma mater had a similar resolve."), to sincere prophetic respect ("Baylor really can change the culture and conversation of higher education in North America.").

2012 has also sparked a discussion among the Baylor family. This is as it should be. It is not every day that a major university commits itself, and does so publicly, to such an ambitious plan. The Baylor family should discuss, and continue to discuss, the nature and mission of its university. It is every university's dream to have the level of expressed interest from its alumni that has been shown by Baylor's.

Commentary: Fundamentalism Baylor 72803

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No Fundamentalism at Baylor

By Roger E. Olson

If you believe some critics of the current Baylor University leadership the institution that was rescued from the jaws of fundamentalism by President

Reynolds and the regents in the early nineties is today in danger of being swallowed whole by that same religious predator. But is it true? Is Baylor being increasingly dominated by an ultra-conservative religious agenda that would rob its faculty of academic freedom and credibility?

You would think that if fundamentalism exists at Baylor the seminary (George W. Truett Theological Seminary) would be its hotbed. That's been my bailiwick since arriving in town, but I've had a fair amount of experience on university committees and in general interaction with colleagues across the schools and departments. Historical theology and especially modern/contemporary Christian thought are my academic specialties. I've made the study of American evangelicalism and fundamentalism a special focus of research and writing. If fundamentalism exists at the university (including the seminary) I think I would know about it.

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Responses to Baylor controversy

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Are you sure?

Roger Olsen has written that there is no fundamentalism at Baylor University.

I hope future lawyers are being taught the fundamentals of law and that future doctors are being instructed in the fundamentals of medicine. It will help business majors to learn the fundamentals of economics.

A university that claims to be Christian should also teach the fundamentals of the Christian faith.

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Editor

WACO-Billed as a "family dialogue," a summer afternoon debate between Baylor University leaders and alumni often resembled a family feud.

Acteens plant seeds of love in hard Alaskan soil _72803

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Mountain scenery was one sidelight of a trip by 17 girls and six sponsors from First **Baptist** Church in Duncanville to minister on the banks of the Copper River in Alaska.

Acteens plant seeds of love in hard Alaskan soil

By George Henson

Staff Writer

GLENNALLEN, Alaska-A group of Texas Acteens recently traveled north to plant seeds of the gospel in people's hearts but reaped a greater understanding of the power of prayer themselves.

African American Fellowship called to be relevant_72803

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African American Fellowship called to be relevant

By Ken Camp

Texas Baptist Communications

HOUSTON-Christ's church must "take off the garments of her irrelevance" and boldly address issues such as AIDS, abuse in families and teen pregnancy, Beecher Hicks told the Texas Baptist African American

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By Bob Smietana

Religion News Service

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (RNS) -First there was "What Would Jesus Do?" Then there was "What Would Jesus Drive?"

Armenian convert feeds faith in Texas_72803

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Armenian convert feeds faith in Texas

By Jenny Hartgraves

Staff Writer

When Artyom Tonoyan graduated from Dallas Baptist University in May, it was more than a great accomplishment. It was a dream come true.

Around the State_72803

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Around the State

Appointments

- Five people with Texas were among the 70 missionaries recently appointed by the International Mission Board:
- Vivian Dyer will serve in Central and Eastern Europe in community outreach and ministry. She previously served as a church planter with the North American Mission Board in Orlando, Fla., and as a program coordinator at Southwestern Seminary. She also worked in the inner-city youth program of Glenview Church in Fort Worth. She has been working in Europe as an International Service Corps volunteer with the IMB the last two years.

BGCT reduces Dallas workforce by 10 percent_72803

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DALLAS-Twenty positions have been eliminated from the 220-member workforce of the Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board.

The 10 percent reduction in full-time workers is the first step in a plan to bring expenditures in line with anticipated receipts. The convention has been operating at about 90 percent of budget this year, on the heels of an unmet budget the previous year.

The second phase of cutbacks, a reorganization of ministry priorities and cuts in ministry budgets, will be considered by the BGCT Administrative Committee when it meets Sept. 4-5.