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Teen's 'special need' is to make everyone smile

By Heather Price

Texas Baptist Communications

RICHARDSON-Those who know Nathan Williams, an 18-year-old with cerebral palsy, say he is changing the world one smile at a time.

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Texas Tidbits

Nominations accepted. The Texas Baptist Missions Foundation is accepting nominations for the 2003 Mission Service Awards through July 31. The foundation's board of advisers will select a winner for the Pioneer Award, which honors a longtime leader in missions or someone who played a key role in starting mission work; the Innovator Award, to a church or

individual who provided a model of missions; and Adventurer Award, for outstanding financial support of leadership in ministry. Nominations may be sent to Bill Arnold at the Texas Baptist Missions Foundation, 333 North Washington, Dallas 75246.



- ◆ **DBU prof wins writing award.** Dallas Baptist University professor of philosophy David Naugle has received a 2003 book award from Christianity Today for his work, "Worldview: The History of a Concept." The awards are chosen by evangelical leaders in numerous disciplines including academia, the church and journalism. Among the 300 titles nominated, only 19 received honors, with Naugle's book chosen over 34 other books in the theology/ethics category. A member of the DBU faculty since 1990, Naugle also serves as chairman of the philosophy department.

- ◆ **HBTS honors Flores.** Fermin Flores, religious education professor for 32 years at Hispanic Baptist Theological School in San Antonio, will retire Jan. 1. Because of his exemplary service to the school, the administration, faculty, staff and students have established the Fermin Flores Scholarship Fund. Dean of Academic Affairs Javier Elizondo is collecting appreciation letters to Flores. Letters may be mailed to Elizondo at 8019 South Pan Am Expressway, San Antonio 78224.

- ◆ **Pehl named nursing dean.** Linda Pehl has been named dean of the Scott & White School of Nursing at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. She has worked in the nursing profession nearly 40 years at both Scott & White Hospital in Temple and at the university. Her career started as head

nurse at Scott & White in 1964. She received a bachelor of science in nursing degree from Mary Hardin-Baylor College in 1973, the master of science degree in nursing from the University of Texas in Austin in 1975, and a Ph.D. from UT-Austin in 1988.

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TOGETHER: Retreat can aid ministers' marriages

Rosemary and I have worked on our marriage. Through the years, it has been more than worth it!

For 42 years, we have experienced both the joys and the difficulties pastoral ministry places on marriage. We still are learning how to communicate with each other and how to improve our understanding of each other. Some days are incredible joys. Other days can be very trying and difficult. Being in ministry is a wonderful privilege, but it can be tough on a marriage. Sometimes the balance is hard to find.

We have to make time to invest in our relationship. One of the ways we plan to do that this year is by attending the Celebrating Marriage in Ministry Retreat in San Antonio, Sept. 11-13, sponsored by the Baptist General Convention of Texas. This event takes an intentional and proactive approach in encouraging healthy marriages. An event like this can help to

remind us how to keep our romance alive, how to connect with each other even in conflict and how to pray more effectively together.

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SBC messengers cut BWA allocation by \$125,000

By Trennis Henderson

Kentucky Western Recorder

PHOENIX-A proposal to reduce the Southern Baptist Convention's allocation to the Baptist World Alliance by more than 30 percent was approved June 17 with almost no discussion.

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Baptist World Alliance report includes plea for unity

By Tony Martin

Mississippi Baptist Record

PHOENIX, Ariz.-Immediately before Denton Lotz stood to bring the Baptist World Alliance report to the Southern Baptist Convention, messengers voted not to reconsider a partial defunding of the world Baptist body.

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Southern Baptist president says

homosexuals can change

By Greg Warner

Associated Baptist Press

PHOENIX, Ariz.-Homosexuals are able to change and leave the gay lifestyle, Jack Graham told reporters soon after his re-election as Southern Baptist Convention president.

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Hawkins calls Baptists to exclusive message

By Charlie Warren

Arkansas Baptist

PHOENIX, Ariz.-“God has raised up Southern Baptists to be a certain sound in our culture,” O.S. Hawkins told messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting in Phoenix. “There is a war on truth and on the trustworthiness of the word of God. ... If Southern Baptists don't make a certain sound in this culture, who will?”

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Motions touch on chaplaincy, state conventions, calendar

By Bob Terry

Alabama Baptist

PHOENIX, Ariz.-Should Southern Baptist military chaplains be ordained ministers?

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Patterson to be nominated as

president of Southwestern Seminary

By Mark Wingfield

Managing Editor

FORT WORTH-Paige Patterson will be nominated as president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in a called meeting of seminary trustees June 24.

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SBC: Black History Project focuses on Black leaders

PHOENIX (BP)-African-American pastors can become leaders among Southern Baptists when they get involved enough to be known and respected, said E.W. McCall, longtime pastor of St. Stephen Baptist Church in La Puente, Calif.



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McCalep Jr.,
president of the
African
American
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the Southern
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Lott Carey,
a freed
slave
supported
by Baptists
in
Richmond,
Va.,
inaugurated
missions
work in the
African
country of
Liberia in
1821.

McCall offered his advice during the inaugural seminar of the Black History Project June 14 at Bethesda Community Baptist Church in Phoenix. The seminar was hosted by the Black Southern Baptist Denominational Servants Network.

“Get involved on the local level,” McCall said. “Stay involved when you're popular and when you're not.”

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Jack Graham re-elected president of SBC without opposition

PHOENIX—Jack Graham, pastor of Prestonwood Baptist Church in Plano, Texas, was re-elected president of the Southern Baptist Convention June 17 without opposition.

Graham won by one vote but it was the only vote that counted. With no other nominees, Registration Secretary James Wells was instructed to cast the vote on behalf of the messengers, giving Graham the traditional second term as leader of the nation's largest non-Catholic denomination. At the time of the election, 6,830 messengers had registered during the first day of the annual meeting.

Bobby Welch, pastor of First Baptist Church of Daytona Beach, Fla.,

nominated Graham, calling him an “energetic, focused soul-winner.” He said Graham led the SBC “with certainty and conviction” during 12 months “loaded” with controversy.

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Graham calls Southern Baptists to be salt and light

By Michael Clingenpeel

Virginia Religious Herald

PHOENIX-President Jack Graham urged the Southern Baptist Convention to penetrate a decaying culture and illuminate a dark world rather than retreat into a subculture that makes no difference in the world.