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By Robert Marus

Associated Baptist Press

SAN FRANCISCO (ABP)-A federal judge in California has declared unconstitutional a law that attempts to ban "partial-birth" abortion procedures.

Postmodernism is about seeing the mortar between the bricks_61404

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By Jonathan Petty

Wayland Baptist University

PLAINVIEW-Wayland University's Micheal Summers explains postmodernism by pointing to a brick wall.

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Lead singer
Nic Gonzales
(front center)

and

Salvador-a
Latin-influence
Christian band

based in
Austin-insist
their main
goal is to
honor God
through their
music.

Salvador will
perform at the
Youth

Evangelism
Conference

June 25-26 at
Reunion Arena
in Dallas. The
conference is
sponsored by
the Baptist
General
Convention of
Texas.

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By Leann Callaway

Special to the Baptist Standard

AUSTIN—The Latin-flavored, Austin-based worship band Salvador has played the big venues—Billy Graham evangelistic crusades and Promise Keepers rallies.

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BWA withdrawal, public education may top agenda at SBC meeting

By Ken Camp

Managing Editor

Messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention June 15-16 in Indianapolis

will vote on a proposal to withdraw money and membership from the Baptist World Alliance—and possibly a call to withdraw children from public schools.

Student sees summer medical program as part of God's plan for his life_61404

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By Teresa Young

Wayland Baptist University

PLAINVIEW—When Martin Ortega received word he had been accepted into the Joint Admissions Medical Program for the summer, he viewed it as an answered prayer.

Around the State_61404

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Around the State

The Association of Woman Students at Houston Baptist University bestowed honors on a number of women as it celebrated its annual Woman's Day. The 37-year-old tradition honors a woman from each class, the faculty and the community as Woman of the Year. Students honored were **Jessica Watson**, freshman; **Katy Bowser**, sophomore; **Christina Marchesano**, junior; and **Jenny Chunn**, senior. **Ruth Ann Williamson**, professor of education, was the faculty member honored. **Lori Salierno**, founder and chief executive officer of Celebrate Life International, was the community member chosen for the honor.



Forrest McMillan (left) and Lawson Hager (right) were presented plaques by Hardin-Simmons University President Craig Turner during the school's annual Faculty and Staff Appreciation dinner.

McMillan, the school's newly named dean of students, was announced as the staff member of the year, while Hager, dean of the School of Music, was the faculty member selected for the top honor. In addition to the plaques, the pair also received \$500 checks. Hager joined the faculty in 1973, and McMillan joined the staff in 1997 as a residence hall director and was director of recruiting since 2002 prior to taking his new post.

- ◆ The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor held a pinning ceremony commemorating the graduation of 23 social work majors. **Frances Pinckney** of Copperas Cove received the outstanding student in field practicum award, **Shaunie Carter** of Killeen the Spirit of Social Work award and **Misty Rosenberg** of Killeen the academic excellence award.

- ◆ **Roy Vogtsberger** is the new head of Hardin-Simmons University's biology department. An assistant professor of biology, he has been a member of the faculty since 2000.

U.S. News & World Report names Baylor among top graduate schools_61404

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By Mary Crouch

Texas Baptist Communications

U.S. News and World Report magazine has named Baylor University's graduate schools among the nation's best.

Baylor tennis team takes title_61404

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Baylor tennis team takes title

Baylor University's men's tennis team clinched the school's first-ever NCAA title with a 4-0 victory over UCLA at the NCAA Championships in Tulsa, Okla. The second-ranked Bears, making Baylor's first title appearance since the 1948 basketball team lost to Kentucky in the NCAA final, won the match in 1 hour, 58 minutes, surrendering just one point and posting five shutouts in six NCAA tournament matches. Baylor completed the 2003-04 season with a school-record 32-2 mark and the nation's longest winning streak at 24 matches. Pictured are (front row, left to right) Ivor Lovrak, Matias Marin and Reiner Neurohr; (back row) Head Coach Matt Knoll, Benedikt Dorsch, Benjamin Becker, Jon Reckewey, Jason Gould, Matija Zgaga, Joel Morgan, Adrian Szatmary, Barry McLaren, and Assistant Coach Rob Cheyne.

News of religion, faith, missions, Bible study and Christian ministry among Texas Baptist churches, in the BGCT, the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) and around the world.

BGCT names controllerassistant treasurer_61404

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BGCT names controller/assistant

treasurer

DALLAS-Jill Larsen of Tulsa, Okla., has been named controller/assistant treasurer of the Baptist General Convention of Texas Executive Board staff effective July 6.

As controller, Larsen will supervise general accounting and cash management operations for the BGCT.

She will assist David Nabors, chief financial officer/treasurer, in a variety of business and financial matters.

Some want single Bible translation to become universal English standard_61404

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By Douglas Todd

Religion News Service

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (RNS)-An American academic wants to see a Bible translation put together by scores of conservative scholars become the one Bible everyone uses.

BOOKS: Debunking DaVinci_61404

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BOOKS: Debunking DaVinci

By Mark O'Keefe

Religion News Service

WASHINGTON (RNS)-After reading "The Da Vinci Code," Holly Jespersen wondered if Jesus Christ did in fact wed Mary Magdalene and father her child, as the novel claims.

BOOKS: Shadowmancer Hotter than Potter?_61404

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Anglican priest Graham Taylor sold off his beloved Harley Davidson to self-publish his novel "Shadowmancer"-which went on to become an international bestseller. (Photo courtesy G.P. Putnam's Sons.)

BOOKS: Shadowmancer Hotter than Potter?

By Bob Smietana

Religion News Service

CLOUGHTON, England (RNS)-When he was 21, Graham Taylor woke up in his London flat after a night of heavy partying, looked in a mirror, and said, "Oh, God, there has got to be more to life than this."