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Attempt to revisit Roe nixed

By Jenny Hartgraves

Staff Writer

DALLAS—Efforts by Norma McCorvey—"Jane Roe" from Roe vs. Wade—and her legal team to reverse the 1973 abortion case were rejected June 19 as a federal judge ruled her petition for reconsideration did not come in a "reasonable time."

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Texas Tidbits

CenturyMen travel to Europe. The CenturyMen, a 100-voice men's chorus, is traveling in Germany, Austria and Switzerland through July 8. The chorus of music ministers, including many from Texas, is directed by Buryl Red. On this tour, the CenturyMen will work with Baptist missionaries Doyle and Arlee Searcy, Scott and Kathy Hinton, Rick and

Nancy Dill, Wayne and Pam Jenkins, Carlos and Shannon Ichter, and Tom and Barb Suiter. Daily ministry updates and prayer concerns are listed at www.centurymentour2003.com.

♦ **Baylor staffer to White House.** Jerome Loughridge, chief of staff to Baylor University President Robert Sloan, has been named a White House Fellow for 2003-2004. He will assume the new role Sept. 1. Loughridge, a 1995 Baylor graduate who also holds a master's degree in public policy from Harvard, is among 12 people chosen for the prestigious fellowship from among more than 1,000 candidates. Loughridge and his wife, Tricia, are members of Highland Baptist Church in Waco.

♦ **Music conference planned.** The Church MusiConference West, slated for July 25-26 at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, is aimed at ministers of music, youth and children's choir directors, accompanists and other music leaders in churches. The conference includes six 75-minute classes, reading sessions, exhibits, networking opportunities with fellow church musicians and a banquet. The cost is \$50 per person. For more information, contact Robert Black at (806) 291-1067 or Dan Turner at (806) 935-3176.

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.

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TOGETHER:

Numbers paint picture of missions

Summer brings a change of pace for most of us. Family vacations are most often planned for this time of the year. Churches take on a different dynamic, too, as the sounds of children and youth can be heard throughout the week. Camp programs, Vacation Bible Schools, summer mission trips, Super Summer youth evangelism conferences, recreational activities and local community mission involvement all contribute to the “hum” around the church house.

That hum goes on statewide, as well. Rosemary and I, along with scores of Baptist General Convention of Texas staff, attended the annual meeting of the Hispanic Baptist Convention June 22-24. In a few days, the African-American Baptist Fellowship will convene in Houston, July 8-11. What I love about these meetings is the way entire families show up. There are activities for children and young people. And the adults celebrate and rejoice in the achievements of their children and grandchildren.

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It is the stated goal of the BGCT to “reach all people.” We want, as a pastor in the Valley expressed, our churches and convention to look like the face of Texas. We want Hispanics, African-Americans, Asian-Americans and anyone else to feel as much at home in the BGCT as do Anglo-Americans.

And if we are to do that effectively, we must encourage one another, and in order to do that, we must know one another.

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Members of the 2003 class of Truett Theological Seminary pose in the seminary's Powell Chapel.

Truett Seminary to produce 79 graduates in 2003

WACO-Baylor University's Truett Theological Seminary honored 79 members of the class of 2003, including 35 spring graduates, during baccalaureate ceremonies.

Bill Sherman, pastor of First Baptist Church of Fairview, Tenn., delivered

the baccalaureate address on “The Compulsion of the Cross.” Sherman told the graduates, “The Christ of the cross compels us to believe and to believe strongly, ... to act and to act greatly, ... to love and love supremely ... and to praise and praise gloriously.”

Sherman admonished the seminarians, using the words of British World War I chaplain G.A. Studdert-Kennedy, to “serve in such a way that you will hear God as you stand before him in eternity say, 'Well done' rather than, 'Well!'”

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Weimar church wheels and deals for new space

By Jenny Hartgraves

Staff Writer

WEIMAR-The term spiritual “tune-up” has taken on new meaning at Calvary Baptist Church of Weimar.

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Patterson elected Southwestern president

By Toby Druin

Editor Emeritus

FORT WORTH-Pledging he would not "clean house" but would build a faculty committed to Southern Baptist Convention guidelines, including the 2000 Baptist Faith & Message, Paige Patterson was elected eighth president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary June 24.

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Student
summer
missionary
Martha Ann
Trull, one of
more than
200 sent out
this year
through the
Baptist
General
Convention
of Texas,
tells a Bible
story to
children
gathered at a
mission site
of Oak View
Baptist
Church in
Irving.
Twenty
student
missionaries
spent 10
days at the
Irving church
before
heading to
other work in
the
Northwest
this summer.

Irving church offers missions learning lab for students

By Leann Callaway

Special to the Standard

IRVING—The missions program of Oak View Baptist Church has become a learning lab for 20 student missionaries this summer.

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He Said/ She Said: Girls

He Said:

Boys will be boys, and girls will be girls. And never the twain shall meet in our house—at least for now.

Luke and Garrett, having just completed the fifth grade, still subscribe to the theory that girls have cooties and are not to be trusted. Soon, no doubt, they'll realize that girls don't have cooties but still aren't to be trusted.

MARK WINGFIELD

Some of their friends already have fallen to the dark side. A few, in fact, have fallen so hard they've damaged their heads, I think.

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Evangelism Conference adds missions for 2004

The Texas Baptist Evangelism Conference is now the Texas Evangelism & Missions Conference.

Conference organizer Rick Davis hopes the expanded event will connect and mobilize generations of Christians to reach unchurched Texans with the gospel. Davis is director of the Baptist General Convention of Texas Center for Strategic Evangelism.

The 2004 conference will be held Jan. 15-17 at First Baptist Church in Richardson and will feature author Calvin Miller as a keynote speaker.

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Evangelism school suggested

FORT WORTH-An effort to establish a school of evangelism within Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary is gaining momentum, according to a report published in Baptist Press.

A report written by Philip Barber, a current Southwestern student and associate to North Carolina evangelist Ted Stone, indicates trustees are considering creating such a school.

Barber reported that Stone, a seminary trustee, made a motion at the board's October 2002 meeting that the teaching and practice of evangelism become the seminary's No. 1 priority.