

Around the State: DBU responds after Hurricane Harvey

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Dallas Baptist University initiated #DBUResponds after Hurricane Harvey to raise funds, collect supplies and mobilize volunteers for relief and recovery. DBU initially collected more than \$32,000 from about 200 donors to help students affected by the storm, and the university collected hundreds of cases of bottled water for Texas Baptist Men to deliver to the Texas Gulf Coast. DBU collected an additional \$3,400 from a student-led fund-raising event Sept. 7, and more than 100 DBU students, faculty and staff spent Sept. 9 in Houston working on relief and recovery projects. At a fellowship event on the Houston Baptist University campus after the day of service, DBU President **Adam Wright** presented HBU President **Robert Sloan** a box filled with more than 1,500 handwritten letters of encouragement from DBU students to the HBU family.

Howard Payne University's New Braunfels Center and Abba's House Bible Training Center of New Braunfels will sponsor a one-day apologetics workshop titled "Reasons: Defending Your Faith in a Hostile World." The event is scheduled Sept. 16 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at HPU's New Braunfels Center, 4102 Loop 337, Suite 100. The cost is \$15 per person, and a light breakfast and lunch will be provided. **Tyler Ferguson**, director of adult education and operations at Freedom Fellowship Church in New Braunfels, will lead the discussions, loosely based on the book *I Don't Have Enough Faith to be an Atheist* by Frank Turek. To purchase tickets or to view the schedule of events, click [here](#).



Danny Mynatt

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor named **Danny Mynatt** as vice provost for institutional effectiveness, a newly created position. He will serve as a member of the president's council and as UMHB's accreditation liaison for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. Mynatt joined the UMHB faculty in 2011, coming from Anderson University in South Carolina, where he was dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. He served as dean of the College of Humanities and Sciences and as interim provost at UMHB. Mynatt holds an undergraduate degree from Wake Forest University, and he earned master of divinity and doctor of philosophy degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Hardin-Simmons University's College of Fine Arts will honor Hispanic heritage at a Sept. 21 event 7:30 p.m. in the Woodward Dellis Recital Hall. Musicologist **Lorenzo Candelaria**, associate provost at the University of Texas at El Paso, will present a lecture on the history of mariachi music, and the Mariachi Sol Azteca from Grand Prairie will perform a concert. The event will conclude with an outdoor fiesta to celebrate Hispanic food, games and culture.

Anniversary

First Baptist Church in Tatum will celebrate its 100th anniversary Oct. 29. After the morning worship service, members, former members and guests are invited to a fish fry. An anniversary service will follow the noon meal. The church is located at 470 S. Hill St. in Tatum. **Trey Roberson** is pastor. For more information, contact Roberson at (903) 947-2476 or Jan Martin at (903) 238-6639.