

Around the State: HPU awards leadership honor

June 5, 2015

[Howard Payne University's](#) Woman's Club honored **Debra Wilson** with the 2015 Yellow Rose Award. The award is presented annually to a woman who has exhibited leadership within her sphere of influence, who has exhibited fiscal, emotional or physical support to the university, and who represents Christian values and beliefs.

[Buckner Children and Family Services](#) will present a



East Texas Baptist University dedicated the eight-court Veteran's Memorial Tennis Complex, home of the Tiger tennis teams. Major General Vernon Lewis Jr. (Retired) provided the lead gift for the project. ETBU resurrected its tennis program in 2012 after a long absence. (Photo: Mike Midkiff/ETBU)free foster-care and adoption information meeting June 18 at 6:30 p.m. at 5200 Buckner Blvd. in Dallas. Participants will receive an overview of foster care and adoption options in Texas, including foster-to-adopt, Waiting Texas Children, and domestic infant adoption and international adoption

programs. For information or a reservation to attend, [click here](#).

[B.H. Carroll Theological Institute](#) awarded degrees and diplomas to 17 graduates during spring convocation and graduation ceremonies. Included in that number are doctor of philosophy degrees awarded to **Jeremy Greer** of Arkadelphia, Ark. and **Justin Tollison** of Fort Worth.

Anniversaries

Andy Brown, fifth, as minister to students at Crossroads Baptist Church in San Antonio.

Jordan Brown, fifth, as children's ministry coordinator at First Baptist Church in Bay City.

Retiring

Gary Davis, as church administrator at First Baptist Church in Atlanta.

David Strawn, after more than 20 years as minister of education and administration at First Baptist Church in College Station.

Licensed

Austin Cavitt, Chris Cavitt, Evan Gray, Nathan Hamilton, Chadwick Lynn Myers, Grant Potter, Timothy Yerger and **John Zalman V** to the ministry at Paramount Baptist Church in Amarillo.