

# Around the State: HPU recognizes Jacket Alums in Ministry

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Howard Payne University Alumni Association recently voted to recognize the Jacket Alums in Ministry as a recognized chapter of the association. JAM is designed to foster fellowship and networking opportunities among the university's alumni who serve or have served in Christian ministry. The organization's name refers to the university's mascot, the yellowjacket. "Our university will always need three essential things—prayer, promotion and provisions," said **Chris Liebrum**, a 1973 HPU graduate and vice president for external affairs. "This elite network of alums who have given their lives to vocational ministry can help HPU with all three." JAM officers are **Bobby Broyles**, a retired pastor, as president; **Jeffri Malone Foster**, a youth minister, as first vice president; **David Cozart**, an executive pastor, as second vice president; and **Randy Johnson**, a retired youth minister, as secretary. JAM already is involved in promoting an on-campus Ministry Monday event on Feb. 1. For more information or to register for the event, click [here](#).



Ollie Gilstrap

**Ollie Gilstrap**, adviser in the Graduate School of Business at Dallas Baptist

University, was elected to serve on the Dallas Regional Chamber of Commerce. She also is president-elect of South Dallas Business and Professional Women's Club, whose mission is to promote and protect the interests of African American business and professional women, serve as a bridge for young people seeking to enter business and their professions, to improve the quality of life in the local and global communities, and to foster good fellowship. Gilstrap earned her undergraduate degree in business administration and master's degrees in business administration and organizational management from DBU. After retiring from her 24-year human resources career with AT&T, Gilstrap accepted her first position at DBU in 2000 as an academic counselor, recruiter and professor in the College of Adult Education.

## Anniversary

40th for **Kenneth Wells** as pastor of Northview Baptist Church in Lewisville on Feb. 14.

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