

Around the State: Sacred Harp Singing

January 24, 2013

[The 12th annual Baylor University Sacred Harp Singing](#) is set for Feb. 9 in the Great Hall of Truett Theological Seminary. The singing will begin at 9:30 a.m. with a brief introduction to Sacred Harp singing. After a lunch break, singing will begin again and conclude at 3 p.m. All are welcome at this participatory activity. For more information, call (254) 772-5572.

[The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor's](#) College of Visual and Performing Arts and its art department currently are presenting Cross/Purpose, an exhibition of some of the many forms the cross has taken over the centuries and the purposes for which it has been used. Pieces in the exhibit range from the sixth century to the contemporary. The exhibition continues through Feb. 9. The exhibit hall is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

[East Texas Baptist University](#) will hold a preview day for high school seniors and college transfer students Feb. 14-15. Visiting students will spend the night in a dorm, socialize with current students, and visit with professors at breakfast and by attending classes. The event begins Thursday at 6 p.m. A \$20 nonrefundable fee must be paid to register for the event, but if a student submits an application for admission during the event, the application fee will be waived. For more information, call (800) 804-3828.

Nora Lozano and Dinorah Méndez, scholars at the [Baptist University of the Américas](#), contributed articles and commentaries to the Biblia de Estudio Mundo Hispano (Study Bible for the Hispanic World). Lozano wrote an article about the Bible and the priesthood of every believer. Méndez

wrote the introduction and notes for 1 and 2 Timothy.

Mike Williams, professor of history, has been named [Dallas Baptist University's](#) outstanding faculty member for 2012. He began teaching at DBU as an adjunct professor and joined the faculty full time in 1995. He became dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences the following year. He teaches Baptist history, American church history, and Civil War and Reconstruction history. He is a member of First Baptist Church in Willow Park.

[Howard Payne University's Baptist Student Ministry](#) raised \$3,513 for missions and left several HPU men with attention-getting facial hair. After a month of growing beards, the men spun a wheel that determined how their beards would be shaved, including half beards, stripes and more. Other students pledged money for the privilege of seeing the men in their innovative facial hair stylings.

Vicki House has been named interim vice president for enrollment management at [Hardin-Simmons University](#). She also will continue to serve as executive assistant to the president. She is a member of Beltway Baptist Church in Abilene. Also, James Stone has been appointed interim executive director of marketing. He will continue to serve as HSU's director of church relations and Logsdon Seminary's director of placement and congregational relations. He is a member of First Baptist Church in Abilene.

Anniversaries

Randy Perkins, 15th, as minister of missions/consultant at Pioneer Drive Baptist Church in Abilene, Oct. 1.

Richard Segars, 35th, as minister of education and administration, First

Baptist Church in Graham, Jan. 1.

Greg Traylor, 10th, as pastor of First Baptist Church in Beeville, Jan. 5.

Scott Jones, fifth, as pastor of First Baptist Church in Rockport, Jan. 13.

Abel Almendarez, fifth, as senior adult pastor at First Baptist Church in Portland, Jan. 20.

Jeff Reid, 20th, as associate pastor at Pioneer Drive Baptist Church in Abilene, Feb. 1.

Event

Family Deaf Church held a constitution service Jan. 26 at the site of its host congregation, Baptist Temple Church in San Antonio. Family Deaf Church was formed to reach out to the deaf and their families. John Richey is pastor.