University Holds Official Groundbreaking for Braithwaite Facility

The innovative two-story classroom and research building was funded in part by a generous $2.5 million grant from the late Mrs. Jacqueline Braithwaite, who also contributed to the Braithwaite Recital Hall, Braithwaite Gardens, and the Braithwaite Performing Arts Series.

The facility was designated as the home of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, which had previously been forced to turn away applicants due to limited classroom space. The building’s construction allowed UT Tyler’s nursing school to double its enrollment.

Special One-Semester Credit Hour Courses Offered for Fall

The classes could be used “for academic credit or self-fulfillment”. Special course offerings included “It’s Only a Game: Why We Love our Sports” (HIST 4199), “Opera Appreciation” (MUSI 4199), “Computer Security and Cryptography” (COSC 4199), and “Dollars and Sense” (FINA 4199).

Bruno’s Pizza owners honored with new scholarship fund

Friends and family of the late J.W. and Josephine Rumbelow contributed $25,000 to establish a Memorial Endowed Presidential Scholarship in their name. The University also received three major grants from the Texas Education agency for initiatives in applied technology education, a Quality Work Force Planning program, and professional development.

Interactive Television schedule expands, new site added in Kilgore

UT Tyler Interactive Television courses were initiated in 1991 as a “direct link between UT Tyler and Longview”. After receiving a strong response to the program, the University incorporated more classes and added a new viewing site at Kilgore College.
Thirty Years Ago (August 1982)

University Experiences Record Enrollment

Nearly 2400 students enrolled at UT Tyler for the Fall 1982 semester, a 22.7% increase over the previous fall. Over 1000 prospective students applied for the fall semester, a phenomenon the Director of Admissions credited to recruitment efforts and new scholarship incentives.

New Master of Arts Degree in History Approved

The UT System Board of Regents approved the creation of a new M.A. in History degree at UT Tyler, with provisions for both thesis and non-thesis options.

University Offers On Campus Child Care Program for Students

The new program included multiple day care options and after school activities for preschool and elementary children. The program also offered opportunities for UT Tyler education majors to gain professional experience.

Dr. H. Donald Garrison Presents at Texas Trade and Industrial Teachers Workshop

Dr. Garrison, associate professor of technology, spoke on “Degrees and Vocational Teacher Standards” at the Austin, Texas workshop.

By the Numbers

Parking fines in Fall 1982 were $5, payable to the Business Office.

University Archives and Special Collections Department

The University Archives and Special Collections Department (UASC), located on the ground floor of the Robert R. Muntz Library, retains materials of archival and/or historical interest to the University of Texas at Tyler and the surrounding community.