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FEATURED EXHIBITS (SEPTEMBER 2013)

◆ **"Ike" Election**

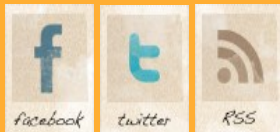
featuring political memorabilia from the 1952 and 1956 presidential campaigns of Dwight Eisenhower.

◆ **Eisenhower Classic**

featuring materials related to the Eisenhower International Golf Classic from 1987-1999.

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Ten Years Ago (September 2003)

Student Apartments Near Campus Reach Full Capacity

For the first time since its construction in 1993, the University Pines Apartment complex reached full occupancy. All but four of the 380 residents attended UT Tyler. The sharp increase in occupancy was driven by a 12.5% increase in University enrollment for the Fall 2003 semester. Operated by a private Houston firm, the University Pines apartment complex was the only residence space on or adjacent to the campus in 2003.

Bell Tower Repairs Needed After Lightning Strike

The Riter tour was temporarily out of commission during the summer of 2003 after a lightning strike damaged the computer panels. University officials estimated that repairs to the panels would cost approximately \$38,500. To prevent damage from future strikes, officials planned to install fiber optic lines in place of the copper wiring.

UT Tyler Awarded Engineering Equipment Grant

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board awarded the University a \$15,940 Texas Engineering and Technical Consortium/Texas Instruments equipment grant. The grant, coordinated by associate professor of electrical engineering Dr. Mukul Shirvaikar, funded the purchase of digital signal processor hardware and software for students in the College of Engineering and Computer Science.



At the Herrington Patriot Center dedication, Louise Ornelas cuts the ribbon with the assistance of, from left, Joseph Ornelas, Dr. Rodney Mabry, Dr. Jim and Bonna Bess Vaughn and Dr. Ben Fisch.
{Intercom}

Twenty Years Ago (September 1993)

Larry King Opens Distinguished Lecture Series to Sold Out Crowd

Larry King greeted a crowd of 1,800 at Caldwell Auditorium on Thursday, September 9. As the opening speaker for the 1993-1994 season, King spoke about his experiences in broadcasting, his Jewish heritage, and his childhood in Manhattan.

Project Saf-D Concludes

UT Tyler concluded its management of Project Saf-D, a community traffic safety program for Smith and Gregg Counties, on September 30. During its implementation, the program collected studies of community seat-belt use, maintained Victims' Impact Panels in both counties, and partnered with People Attempting to Help (PATH) to loan car seats to families who could not afford one. Additionally, Saf-D sponsored the UT Tyler Nursing Department's Bucklebear program, which sent community health nursing students to area school to teach children about seat belt safety. The Saf-D project was sponsored by the Texas Department of Transportation through state and federal grants.

Partnership Agreement Brings UT Tyler, TJC Together

Following the Texas Legislature's passage of House Bill 2578, a measure introduced by State Rep. Ted Kamel of Tyler to promote regional cooperation between public community colleges and upper-level universities, representatives of UT Tyler and Tyler Junior College met to discuss goals and objectives for a bilateral partnership. The agreement was proposed as a way to provide a continuous four year education for students in the East Texas region.

Thirty Years Ago (September 1983)

Campus Childcare Program Begins Second Year

The University opened its second annual childcare program for children of UT Tyler students, university personnel, and alumni. Under the direction of Barbara Warner, assistant professor of education, the program accepted children age three through six at a full-day weekly rate of \$40 and a half-day weekly rate of \$22. The program was supported by funding from state agencies and licensed through the Texas Department of Human Resources.

New Master's Degree Approved for Fall

The UT System Board of Regents approved the creation of a new Master of Arts degree in professional counseling through the Department of Psychology. The 45 semester hour program included 18 hours in foundational course work and 27 focused hours in the school counseling or marriage and family counseling concentration. Coursework was designed to qualify students for licensure through the Texas State Professional Counseling exam.

Library Receives Book Bequest

The Bright collection was donated to the Robert R. Muntz library by the estate of Icy Bright after her death in 1982. Featuring antique volumes on Texas history and turn of the century textbooks, the collection comprised more than 600 titles. The Bright collection was the first private library willed to the University.

University Center Screens Free Movies

The Student Association purchased an institutional membership from Video, Inc., which allowed students to screen films in the U.C. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day. The U.C. collection included over 300 films, which students could select on a first come, first serve basis.



In 1976, Texas Eastern University moved from its original home (the old Roberts Junior High building on Berta Street) to its current location on University Boulevard. {UASC}

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