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◆ **Building a University:**

Phase I Construction

featuring photographs and sketches of the first phase of the permanent campus construction

Ten Years Ago (February 2006)



Photo by: Brentley Eassey
Engineering students "pie" their professors to raise funds on Feb. 20. Dr. Jeffrey Minnema, associate professor of mechanical engineering, helped raise more than \$150.

Women Patriots Top East Division

The Women Patriots Basketball Team claimed a share of the 2006 American Southwest Conference East Division championship after an 83-75 overtime victory against Mississippi College. The win marked the second consecutive championship in the program's three-year history. Coach Terri Deike credited her team's determination for the win. The titles, she said, give the program credibility. "A lot of people see us as a new kid on the block, but this establishes us as a real team." A pre-season poll picked the Patriots to win their division, one vote ahead of Mississippi College. After beginning the season with three losses, the Patriots found themselves chasing the division-leading Lady Choctaws. The Women Patriots set the stage for a final showdown with an eight-game winning streak coming into Saturday's game, including a decisive 93-58 victory against Louisiana College. The Patriots ended their season with a 17-5 conference record, 17-8 overall. *By Travis Webb, Patriot Talon, February 20, 2006.*

Twenty Years Ago (February 1996)

UT Tyler Offers Exchange Program in Mexico

Dr. Olga Supek, Coordinator of International Programs at UT Tyler announced that students would have the opportunity to study in Guadalajara, Mexico for the summer of 1996 through an expanded academic exchange program. Conducted in conjunction with the Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education, Guadalajara campus (ITESM), the program allowed participants to experience Mexican culture, develop professional skills in their chosen career field, and enhance their language abilities. The program was initially established in 1994 to expose students to the international business environment. For 1996 the program expanded to students pursuing non-business majors including health care, education, political science, and a wide range of other fields. Students stayed in ITESM's modern on-campus housing with access to cutting-edge computer laboratories.

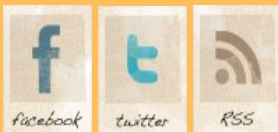
Granville Earns Lifetime Achievement Award

Dr. Evelyn Boyd Granville, Sam A. Lindsey Chair at UT Tyler, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Association of Mathematicians, President George F. Hamm announced. Boyd was a member of the UT Tyler mathematics faculty from 1990 to 1997. Granville was awarded a Ph.D. in mathematics at Yale University in 1949; one of the first African American women to receive a doctoral degree in mathematics. She received her bachelor's degree summa cum laude from Smith College and her master's degree from Yale. She received an honorary doctorate from Smith College in 1989. Granville won awards for graduate study at Yale University, a Smith College Fellowship, a Julius Rosenwald Fellowship, and an Atomic Energy Commission Fellowship. Granville's experience with government and private industry included positions with IBM, North American Aviation Space and Information Systems Division, Space Technology Laboratories Computation and Data Reduction Center, Department of the Army Diamond Ordnance Fuze Laboratories, and the Institute for the Mathematical Sciences at New York University. She participated in Project Vanguard, Project Mercury and the Apollo Project. Her research included space trajectories, celestial mechanics, and development of missile fuses.

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Thirty Years Ago (February 1986)

Art Exhibition Features Texas Artist's Work

The Art Department sponsored an exhibition of Texas artist Ancel E. Nunn to commemorate the Texas Sesquicentennial. The exhibition, simply titled "Ancel E. Nunn," featured 18 works from private collections across the state. It ran until March 21. The show was open to the public in the University Gallery in the University Center, Room 101. Art Department Chairman Donald Van Horn said, "This show is one of the biggest things we've ever done here. We're really pleased that this is coming about." To commemorate the event, Nunn produced a limited edition lithograph of the Texas flag titled "One Century and Fifty." "Here is this flag, 150 years old. It is torn and tattered, it has gone through war and strife, yet out of the decay comes hope," Nunn commented. The artist donated the first 100 of the edition to the Art Department. The lithographs sold for \$155 each. Proceeds went to establish an endowment at the University for the Art Department. By Diane Dickerson, *The UT Tyler Patriot*, March 13, 1986.



Forty Years Ago (February 1976)

Health and Physical Education Building Approved

Approval for the sale of \$1,750,000 in combined revenue bonds was given by the Texas Eastern University Board of Regents for the construction of a health and physical education building on the new campus site. The two-level HPE building was planned to house Health, Physical Education and Fine Arts Departments and was designed to facilitate the study of mechanical, physiology, and psychological aspects of human movement. The 26,000 square foot building was built as a laboratory learning complex with practical lab facilities in exercise, physiology, blood chemistry, motor learning, biomechanics of activity and classroom facilities. Lounge areas, conference rooms and areas available for drama, education, business, community service, paramedical jobs and recreation were also planned. The total building construction cost was estimated at \$1,233,000 which included fixed equipment.

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