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Ten Years Ago (October 2008)

Homecoming events

The University’s annual homecoming weekend themed “Just Kickin’s It: Homecoming 2008” took place on the second weekend of October, 2008.

Patriot Idol, one of the most well-liked homecoming events due to the popularity of the “American Idol” competition, offered University student a chance to compete in an “American Idol” format for a chance to win a $150 prize. Homecoming week started on Monday 6th with paddle boat races at Harvey Lake and ended with the men’s soccer games vs. Schreiner University at Citizens 1st Bank-Perkins Soccer complex. Patriot Talon, October 6, 2008.

Women Soccer Extend Streak

Not only did the women’s soccer team kept winning, they kept shutting out their opponent, recording their third straight one in Saturday night’s 5-0 win over LeTourneau University. The win, which was their seventh straight, put them back in second place in the American Southwest Conference. They had improved their conference record to 8–2, which gave them 24 points, one point shy of Hardin-Simmons, who was in first place with a record of 8–0–1 in ASC. Patriot Talon Oct 20, 2008.

Twenty Years Ago (October 1998)

John Davidson’s “Bully” Featured at UT Tyler

UT Tyler featured “Bully, An Adventure with Teddy Roosevelt,” starring actor John Davidson, on Tuesday Oct.20 in the 1998-99 Braithwaite Series. “Bully” is one of eight outstanding performances featured this season.

The Braithwaite Series had been made possible through the generous support of Mrs. David G. Braithwaite. Other performances for that season included National Acrobats of Chine, Vienna Choir Boys, and The Boys Choir of Harlem. Intercom October 19, 1998.
Thirty Years Ago (October 1988)

Nursing Honor Society Formed
The Iota Nu Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, an international nursing honor society, held its first induction ceremony on the UT Tyler campus in October 1988. There were 23 students and former students inducted into the newly formed local chapter during pinning ceremonies held in lobby area of the Sciences and Mathematics Building. The purpose of Sigma Theta Tau is to recognize both superior achievement and development of leadership qualities as well as to foster high professional standards, encourage creative work and strengthen commitment to the ideals and purposes of the nursing profession.


Forty Years Ago (October 1978)

Phase II completion seen for summer 1979
As of October 1978, the construction of the Science and Mathematics Building and the greenhouse was on schedule and expected to be ready for occupancy in the summer of 1979. These buildings made up Phase II of TEU’s building expansion as designed by Geren Associates of Fort Worth. Bidding for the construction of the new library building was scheduled for October 18, 1978. The TEU campus also had several improvements, including two finished signs, at Patriot Avenue and Old Omen Road, an official school flag and a clean upper lake surrounded by grass. Texas Eastern Patriot, October 5, 1978.

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