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Ten Years Ago (November 2008)

Champions!

In November 2008, the patriots soccer team won the American Southwest Conference Tournament championship with shutout victory over the UT Dallas Comets. After an emotional win penalty kicks against the University of the Ozarks, the Patriots dominated the Comet and finished the game with a 2-0 victory. With the win, the Patriots had improved to 11-3-4 and advanced to the national tournament for the first time in the history of the program at the time. *Patriot Talon November 10, 2008*

Diaper Runners

On November 3, 2008 the university’s cross team ran around Campus in diapers. The run had become a tradition after every championship win.

That year, the Patriots had won the regional championship in Seguin on Nov 1. *Patriot Talon November 10, 2008.*

Twenty Years Ago (November 1998)

Distinguished Lecture Series

David Gergen, an advisor to four US Presidents, opened the 1998-99 Distinguished Lecture Series of UT Tyler, November 19. The series was in its 17th year and continued in the Spring 1999 with Shimon Peres former Prime Minister of Israel and political analyst and columnist George Stephanopoulos.

George had served in the White House as an advisor to Presidents Nixon, Ford, Reagan and Clinton. He also served for 18 months in the Clinton administration, first as a Counselor to the President and then as Special Advisor to the President and the Secretary of State.

That year’s series was coordinated by Dr. George F. Hamm, who initiated the Distinguished Lecture Series as president if the UT Tyler in 1982. *Intercom November 16, 1998.*

UT Tyler Campus Health Clinic Opened

UT Tyler, in conjunction with the UT Health Center at Tyler, had opened the UT Tyler Campus Clinic in the Science Building, room 224. The clinic was to provide primary care services, with referrals outside the clinic when warranted. It was to be staffed by nurse practitioner faculty and physicians from UTHCT. Services also included preventive care, health and wellness education, monitoring and management of chronic health problems and health risk appraisals. *Intercom November 16, 1998.*
Thirty Years Ago (November 1988)

**UTT men’s tennis team named “number one” in NAIA rankings**
The UT Tyler men’s tennis team had been ranked number one out of several hundred schools in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. Three of the players had been ranked in the top fifty in singles in the nation: Singer, ninth; Harris, fifteenth and Gonzalez thirty-first.

It shows a lot of respect for the program when other coaches vote us as the number one team. It gives players a confidence boost when others feel that they’re the best team... We are not as strong at this time as we were last year but we have the possibility of getting one more player next semester, and if we get him—we’ll be an outstanding tea,” coach Kniffen said.

*The UT Tyler Patriot*, November 10, 1988

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**Mark Twain Program**

“Mark Twain Revisited”, a one man show spotlighting the wit and wisdom of America’s greatest humorist at the time, was to be presented on Tuesday, Nov. 15 in the University Center.

The event was sponsored by Friends of the Arts, the program featured Parked Drew as 70 year old Twain (Samuel Clemens). Drew had brought “Mark Twain Revisited” to more than 300 colleges, universities and conventions in the 32 States at the time. His 25 years of experience in the preforming arts included major roles in more than 30 diverse productions.

*Intercom November 14, 1988*

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Forty Years Ago (November 1978)

**Tyler firm awarded library bid**
The TEU Board of Regents awarded the 3.8 million construction contract for the future library to Gordon Campbell & Associates if Tyler. Bids from six construction firms were opened and tabulated at a called meeting of the TEU Board of Regents. The bid package called for a base proposal of constructing a three-story library. Six alternated to the base proposal were also requested. Of the six, the regents selected three, including building a fourth floor at the time of construction.


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