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Ten Years Ago (January 2009)

**UT Tyler Professor Gets Grant to Study Neches River**

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department awarded a $50,000 grant to Dr. Lance Williams to study the Neches River. “The overall goal of the project is to evaluate how geomorphology and instream flow affect the diversity and abundance of these communities in the Upper Neches River Watershed.” The specific region of the study were between highways 175 and 59, below Lake Palestine. *Tyler Morning Telegraph*, January 22, 2009.

Twenty Years Ago (January 1999)

**UT Tyler Awarded $130,000 Gift**

UT Tyler received a $130,000 gift from the Bart Brooks Foundation for Ethics and Human Values. The gift was presented by foundation president Dr. Peter Nelligan, and by past-president and board member, Dr. Thomas Fernandez. Approximately $25,000 of the gift established the Benjy Frances Brooks, M. D. Presidential Scholarship and the remaining $105,000 augmented the endowment for the Brat Brooks Endowed Professorship in Ethics and Leadership at UT Tyler. *Intercom* January 29, 1999
Thirty Years Ago (January 1989)

Dunn Awarded Fulbright Grant
Dr. Elizabeth Dunn, assistant professor of English, was awarded a Fulbright grant for her teaching in Tyler's sister city of Metz, France, the Board of Foreign Scholarships and the United States Information Agency announced. In a faculty exchange for the 1988-1989 academic year, Dunn was a lecturer at the University of Metz, while Dr. Jean-Jacques Blanchot, the then Department of English chairmen at the University of Metz, served as a visiting professor at UT Tyler. Established under Congressional legislation in 1946, the Fulbright program was designed to increase mutual understanding between people of the United States and other countries. Individuals are selected on the basis of academic and professional qualifications plus their ability and willingness to share ideas and experience with people of diverse cultures. Intercom January 16, 1989.

Forty Years Ago (January 1979)

Roddy Scholarship Endowed
*An endowment was established for a Roddy Scholarship at Texas Eastern University in memory of T. C. Roddy Sr. and Dr. W. Carl Roddy and in honor of Verna and T. C. Roddy Jr. The scholarship superseded the T. C. Roddy Sr. Memorial Scholarship which was presented in 1975 by the Roddy family. Donors of the Roddy Scholarship endowments included Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Roddy Jr., Mrs. W. V. Roddy, T. C. Roddy III, George V. Roddy, and Mrs. Molly Roddy Lester. The scholarship, in the amount of $100 or more to one or more recipients, went to full-time undergraduate students seeking a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in biology. The scholarship officially became endowed upon the attainment of the $10,000 fund goal in December 1980. Intercom January 11, 1979.

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