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FEATURED EXHIBITS MARCH 2019

♦ Election Juxtaposition:

A display comparing the memorabilia from the 1908 and 2008 presidential elections. Items from the Tim Anthony Jackson Collection

On Display at the Library

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Ten Years Ago (March 2009)

Officials Dedicate new UC, Thank Students for Funding

About 200 people gathered to dedicate the newly constructed, \$18 million dollar addition to the second floor ballroom on March 5th. The 43,400 addition was paid for by a \$100 a semester student union fee, which was approved by university students four years prior. Dr. Howard Patterson, the vice

president of student affairs, said that former students were one of the main reasons why the new University Center was constructed. "I would like to take the opportunity to thank the ones that cannot be with us today. This building is funded and will continue to be funded entirely by student fee." The Patriot Talon, March 23rd, 2009.



Twenty Years Ago (March 1999)

Computer Classes Offered Online

The Computer Science Department offered two internet courses during the Spring semester of 1999. The class was developed by professor George Whitson "this is a total web class. At this point, I've developed the software myself." The course, COSC 3309 Information Systems Software, was introductory, which covered Windows 95, 98, the Internet, and Office 97. The website developed for the course contained all the information needed to take the course, and assignments were submitted via E-mail, as were the grades. The second course, COSC 4309 Design of Information Systems VB6. This course focused on learning to program with Visual Basic (VB). The UT Tyler Patriot, March 11, 1999.

Thirty Years Ago (March 1989)

Phi Theta Kappa Honors Pair

Two UT Tyler students were recognized at the Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Alumni Association state conference in Houston. Roy Larsen, a junior from Edna, was elected president of the PTK Alumni Association for the year, and Sharon Hess of Tyler was named outstanding PTK member of the state of Texas. *The UT Tyler Patriot, March 9, 1989.*



Forty Years Ago (March 1979)

Texas House, Senate Study TEU Bill

Both the House bill and Senate bill proposing TEU become part of the University of Texas were referred to committees on education on March 23rd. The bills were introduced by State Representatives Bill Clark in the House and Senator Peyton McKnight in the Senate. The Senate Bill was referred to the committee on higher education on March 12 along with the House Bill. A vote regarding the change was taken in a TEU Educational Foundation meeting, with a vote of 14-a in favor of the change. Foundation President A. W. Riter said "The motivating factors behind the bills are that Tyler needs a stronger university...We felt that the two entities could be compatible. The legislature was in session and we felt the Senate could be encouraged to make TEU a part of UT." *The Texas Eastern Patriot, March 29, 1979.*

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