



**NOMINATION FORM
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Section A: Nomination Information

Name of Nominated person, place or event: E. Davis "Dave" Wilcox

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Section B: Nominator's Information

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Relationship to nominated individual: none

Nominated Individual's year of birth: 1913 Nominated Individual's year of death: 2000

Section C: Narrative

The narrative section of the application is the most important. It is the primary source of information judges use to make their selection of new inductees. The two-page narrative submittal must utilize size 12 Times New Roman font and be double spaced. Please include a recommended 25-30 word marker caption at the end of the narrative. Any additional material will be referred to only for verification of accuracy of the nomination. No submitted materials will be returned.

The narrative section must contain an explanation of the nominee's enduring contribution that make this person/place/event worthy of the honor. Please describe the impact the nominee has had on the community, county, region, nation and/or world. For Individuals, please include any honors earned by the nominee as well as a list of organizations in which the nominee has been involved. Also, please indicate their educational background as well as the length of time the individual has lived in Smith County. Inclusion of photos is preferred but optional. Do not send original photos. All submitted materials will become property of the City of Tyler and its Historical Preservation Board.

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Section C: Narrative



E. Davis "Dave" Wilcox (1913-2000), was an athlete, war veteran, architect, and community leader amongst other noted accomplishments. A native of Michigan,

Wilcox moved with his family to Tyler in 1920 and was a member of the 1930

Tyler High School state football championship team (seated fifth from left in bottom row.)



After graduating from Tyler High School in 1931, he briefly enrolled that same year at Tyler Junior College. He later transferred to Georgia Tech where he played the guard position on the football team. In 1959, when Wilcox was selected by Sports Illustrated as a member of the Silver All American Team he noted that one of the main lessons he acquired from his athletic career is "having to suffer a little" in order to accomplish great things.



In a letter dated April 14, 1976, Wilcox reminisces about playing against "Jerry" in the 1934 Michigan-Tech game.

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In the President's reply to Wilcox dated April 19th, Ford fondly recalls that:

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Wilcox went on to graduate from Georgia Institute of Technology in 1935 with a BS in Architecture. He continued his academic studies by acquiring a Diploma in Architecture at the Ecole de Beaux - Fountainsbleau School of Fine Arts in Paris in 1936, and also briefly attended graduate school at Yale University in 1937. From 1938 until 1942, Wilcox worked at various architectural firms until he entered the United States Navy in 1942 until 1946. During the course of his military career, he served as a Fighter Director in the Pacific and acquired the rank of Lieutenant Commander for which he was ultimately awarded a Bronze Star.

According to Wilcox he returned to Tyler, in 1946, due to his fondness for life in "a small town" where you have the capacity to help "shape your community." He subsequently opened an architectural firm, E. Davis Wilcox & Associates, located at various addresses throughout the city such as 409 West Erwin, 833 S. Beckham, and 527 E. Rix Street.

In 1961, Wilcox was selected as one of six regional architects to serve as an “practitioner-teacher” in the Preceptorship Program in the Department of Architecture at Rice University. The criteria for selection as articulated by departmental chairman, Professor W.W. Caudill, was a preceptor who was “competent, creative, highly respected...a community leader, [and] ‘architectural statesmen.’” Robert Brooks, the preceptee who was assigned to intern with Wilcox, wrote in a letter to Professor Caudill dated May 7, 1963, that:

...my optimism concerning the place for the small architect were strengthened greatly by seeing the high esteem in which the people of Tyler hold Mr. Wilcox and the stature he has attained in the profession. More heartening is the fact that these things have been accomplished by a man of unswerving principles who does not bend with the crowd. I sincerely believe that Dave Wilcox and men like him can do more to advance architecture for the people than many of the idols whom we plagiarize in both school and the profession...I would venture to state, without reservation or qualification, that I value this experience far above the sum total of the remainder of my fourth year in architecture.

Wilcox served as a preceptor for Rice University from 1961 to 1963 and again in 1966 to 1968.

Simply put, Wilcox was a man who believed in leading by example and as such held multiple roles within local, state, and national architectural organizations. After joining the American Institute of Architects (AIA) in 1950, he served as a member of the Dallas Chapter until he helped to establish the Northeast Texas Chapter in 1958. Wilcox was elected to the position of vice president of the Northeast Texas Chapter in 1958 and assumed the role of president from 1959 to 1960. Wilcox also served as director of the Texas Architectural Foundation from 1958 until 1960. From 1959-60, he held the position of chairman for the Texas Society of Architects School Building Committee. Other roles included terms as secretary-treasurer in 1962, vice-chairman in 1963, and chairman in 1964 for the Texas Board of Architectural Examiners. In 1963, he served as vice-president of the Texas Society of Architects. From 1964 until 1967, while serving on the National Architectural Accrediting Board, he was a member of the visitation team which advised Notre Dame, California Polytechnic School, and Oklahoma State University

regarding the need to understand “architectural design concept with structural, mechanical, and electrical environments.” Additionally, he was a member of the Committee on Examinations of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards.

Other contributions to the field of architecture included a term as a Visiting Design Critic of architectural design at Texas A&M in 1963 and serving as a design jury member for the American Association of School Administrator (AASA) exhibit in Washington D.C. in 1959. Furthermore, he was design jury member for the Houston Independent School District’s first elementary school design competition in 1962 and served as a jury member for the Honors Award Program for the Houston Chapter, American Institute for Architects (AIA).

Over the course of his career, Wilcox received many awards and honors for his work. In 1951, he was awarded an honorable mention for his design of the Ft. Brown Memorial Center in Brownsville by the School Executive Competition (SEC). He received 4th prize from SEC for his design of the National Cowboy Hall of Fame and Museum in Oklahoma City and 2nd prize in Region V for his design at the National School Fallout Shelter Design Competition. His design of the Mattie Jones Elementary School in Tyler, Texas, yielded multiple awards: an honor award with Texas Society of Architects, a design citation for AASA, a special feature award for the School Executive Competition in 1957, a limited exhibition with the AIA, and an international exhibit for the U.S. Department of Education held in Geneva, Switzerland in 1957. For his design of the Thomas Andrew Woods Elementary School in Tyler, he was awarded a first honor award with the Texas Society of Architects in 1957 and a European exhibit for the U.S. Information Agency in 1958. His design of the Texas Eastern School of Nursing in Tyler (renamed UT Tyler when it joined the University of Texas system in 1979), earned him a selected exhibition with the American Hospital Association in 1958, an honorable mention with the School Executive

Competition in 1959, and an award of merit with Texas Society of Architects in 1958. For his design of Boulter Jr. High School in Tyler, Texas, in 1959, he was awarded an honorable mention with the AASA in 1960 and an award of merit with Texas Society of Architects in 1961. The Delbert Powell residence he built in Tyler also received an award of commendation with the Northeast Texas Chapter of AIA in 1957. The AIA presented Wilcox with multiple awards of merit for his design of the Peoples National Motor Bank, Tyler Jr. College Pirtle Technology Center, Tyler Jr. College Wagstaff Gymnasium, and the MHMR Center of East Texas. AIA also bestowed upon Wilcox an award of commendation for his design of the Tyler Club Marina. Finally, he earned an exhibit with the AASA for his design of the Methodist Student Center at Tyler Junior College in 1963. As a result of the cumulative body of his work and his contributions to the field of architecture, the American Institute of Architects selected Wilcox as a member of the College of Fellows (the highest honor it bestows upon its members) in 1968.

Wilcox also made significant public service contributions. He served as chairman of the Salvation Army Advisory Board, director of the Smith County Youth Foundation, and was a member of multiple organizations including the Tyler Chamber of Commerce, First Presbyterian Church, B.P.O.E. Lodge, Tyler Club, City of Tyler Building Code Committee, City of Tyler Board of Adjustment and Appeals, Willowbrook Country Club, and the Texas Rose Festival Association.

A partial list of his residential and business properties is listed below.

Residential Properties

- Personal residence – 526 East Lake Street (1952), 2,270 sq ft.
- 1820 S. Wall Avenue (1948), 1,879 sq ft.
- 2806 S. Keaton Avenue (1949), 3,949 sq ft.
- Major addition to 1903 S. Robertson Ave., designed for James and Dulse Hudnall (from Historic Tyler on Tour literature)
- 2818 Pounds Avenue (1951), designed for Dr. and Mrs. Harold Cameron, 2,755 sq ft.

- 1104 E. Dulse St. (1952), designed for Dr. C.B. Young, 2,844 sq ft.
- 608 W Camellia St. (1952), 2,007 sq ft. (from realtor listing)
- 1626 Dennis Drive (1954), designed for Don and Maxine Hill. 2,539 sq ft.
- 3024 Old Bullard Road (1954) designed for Leland G. Wilcox, 2,191 sq ft.
- 424 Rose Circle Drive (1955), designed for Roosth Family, 4,259 sq ft.
- 1805 Delano Road (1957), designed for Gordon Campbell Family. 3,755 sq ft.
- 215 W. First Street (1960), 3,229 sq ft.
- 615 North Johnson St. (1950), Mineola, 2,471 sq ft. (from realtor listing)
- 1007 Mill Run Road (1953), Athens, 2,568 sq ft. (identified by Casey Brownlow)
- 606 Moseley Road (1954), Athens, 3,976 sq ft. (identified by Casey Brownlow)
- Delbert Powell, Tyler, Texas

Commercial Properties

- Mattie Jones Elementary School, 2521 W. Front St., Tyler, Texas, 1955
- Thomas Andy Woods Elementary School, Tyler, Texas, 1957
- Boulter Junior High School, 2926 Garden Valley, Rd., Tyler, Texas, 1959
- Municipal Police Building, Tyler, Texas, 1956
- Cooperative Savings & Loan, Tyler, Texas, 1957
- TJC – Genecov Building, Tyler, Texas
- TJC – Pirtle Technology Center + Addition, Tyler, Texas
- TJC – Wagstaff Gymnasium, Tyler, Texas
- TJC – Methodist Student Center, Tyler, Texas, 1962
- Tyler Club Marina, Tyler, Texas
- National Cowboy Hall of Fame & Museum, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- Texas Eastern School of Nursing, Tyler, Texas, 1958
- Fort Brown Memorial Center, Brownsville, Texas
- Rusk State Hospital – Rehab Center, Rusk, Texas
- Tyler Museum of Art, 1300 S. Mahon Ave., Tyler, Texas,
- First National Bank, Jacksonville, Texas
- Peoples National Motor Bank (location unknown; listed with AIA application materials)
- MHMR Center of East Texas (location unknown; listed with AIA application materials)
- Southwestern Bell 561 Building
- John Tyler High School, 1120 N. Northwest Loop 323, Tyler, Texas
- Robert E. Lee High School (1958), 411 E Southeast Loop 323, Tyler, Texas
- Henry M. Bell Elementary School, 1409 E. Hankerson Street, Tyler, Texas
- W.A. Peete Elementary School, 1501 West Connally (now TISD Professional Development Center), Tyler, Texas
- 214 Houston Street (now Tyler Family Circle of Care medical building), Tyler, Texas
- Bergfeld Shopping Center, Tyler, Texas
- Central Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Texas

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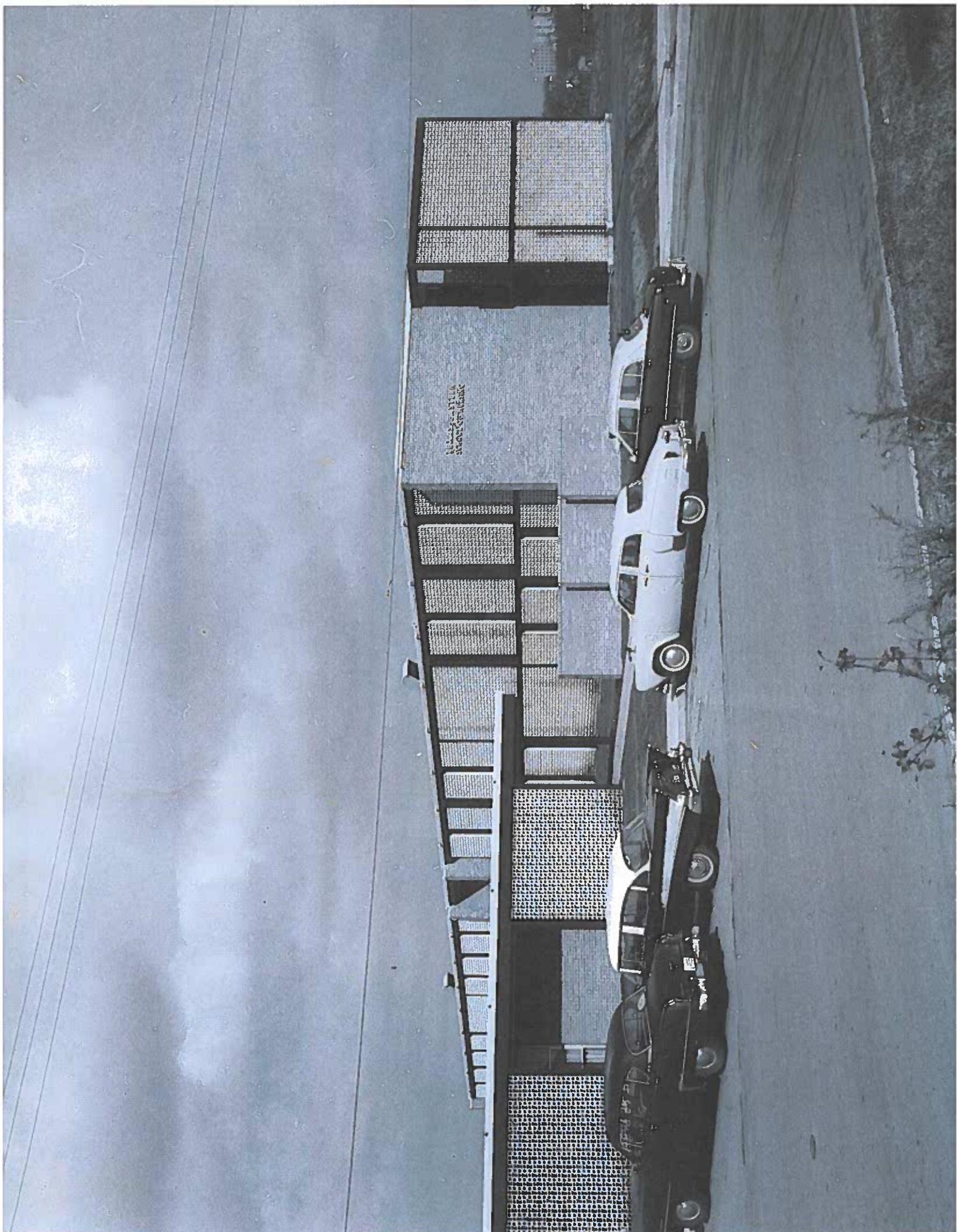
E. Davis Wilcox (1913-2000), an accomplished architect and community leader. Member, College of Fellows, American Institute of Architects. Designed Tyler Museum of Art, Jones Elementary, Woods Elementary, TJC's Wagstaff Gym and Pirtle Center.



Dave
Wilson









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Award-Winning Tyler Architect 'Dave' Wilcox Dies

Eugene Davis "Dave" Wilcox — an award-winning architect who designed the Texas Eastern School of Nursing, Andy Woods and Mattie Jones Elementary Schools and a player on the 1930 Tyler High School State Football Championship team — died Wednesday at his home.

Mr. Wilcox, 86, also was architect for John Tyler High School.

Graveside services are scheduled at 11 a.m. Saturday in Rose Hill Cemetery with the Rev. David O'Neal officiating, under direction of Lloyd James Funeral Home.

A native of Michigan, he moved with his parents to Tyler in 1920. He also graduated from Georgia Institute of Technology with a bachelor of science degree, where he was a guard on the football team. Mr. Wilcox was awarded Sports Illustrated Silver Anniversary Football All-America honors in 1959.

He won 16 awards and honors in architecture, which included nine school projects, three for Texas Eastern School of Nursing, two residences, the National Cowboy Hall of Fame and Museum and the Fort Brown Memorial Center.

Presented with a Fellowship in 1968, he was elected to the College of Fellows of the American Institute



DAVIS: Award-winning architect

WILCOX

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of Architects the same year and was the first architect in the Northeast Texas area to be honored. Mr. Wilcox was one of six leading architects in the United States to participate in the first Preceptorship Program at Rice University in 1964 and served as a visiting critic for Architectural Design at Texas A&M University.

He served in the Navy during World War II, attaining the rank of lieutenant commander. He served three and one-half years in the Navy, two years in the South and Southwest Pacific. He was awarded

the Bronze Star. Mr. Wilcox was presented a Diploma in Architecture from the Ecole Des Beaux-Arts Americaines En France and did graduate work at Yale University. He was a member of the American Institute of Architect and the College of Fellow Texas State Board of Architectural Examiners, serving as chairman.

He was a lifetime member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board and a member of First Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Wilcox is survived by two sons, Eric Wilcox of Atlanta, Ga.,

and Marc Wilcox of Tyler, and two granddaughters.

Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army, First Presbyterian Church or to a charity of one's choice.

APRIL 19, 2000

DESIGN AWARDS

TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS

Tyler Museum of Art
Woods Elementary School
Texas Eastern School of Nursing
Boulter Junior High School
Jones Elementary School

Award of Merit
First Honor Award
Award of Merit
Award of Merit
Honor Award

TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS
ARCHITECTURE OF MERIT - PAST TEN YEARS

Texas Eastern School of Nursing
Woods Elementary School

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AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
NORTHEAST TEXAS CHAPTER

Fair Residential Garden
Southwestern Bell 561 Building
First National Bank, Jacksonville
~~Frederick Ranch House~~
Tyler Museum of Art
Tyler Rose Show
Peoples National Motor Bank
Tyler Junior College Technical Center
John Tyler High School
Tyler Junior College Gymnasium
MHMR Center of East Texas, Tyler
Tyler Club Marina
Woods Elementary School
~~Rowe~~ Residence

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SCHOOL EXECUTIVE COMPETITION

Jones Elementary School
Texas Eastern School of Nursing

Special Feature Citation
Honorable Mention

NATIONAL SCHOOL FALLOUT
SHELTER COMPETITION

Second Award

NATIONAL COWBOY HALL OF FAME
AND MUSEUM COMPETITION

Fourth Award

TEXAS STATE COMPETITION FOR DESIGN
OF FT. BROWN MEMORIAL CENTER

Honorable Mention

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E. Davis Wilcox

Name

Wilcox, E. Davis

Variant Names

Wilcox, Davis
Wilcox, Eugene Davis

Personal Information

Birth/Death: AIA notified of decease 7/12/2000

Occupation: American architect

Location (state): TX

This record has not been verified for accuracy.

AIA Affiliation

Member of The American Institute of Architects (AIA) 1950–decease
Fellow of The American Institute of Architects (FAIA) 1968

Biographical Sources

American Architects Directories:

Biographical listing in 1956 American Architects Directory
Repeat of 1956 biographical listing in 1962 American Architects Directory
Address listed in 1970 American Architects Directory

Related Records

Archival Holdings

The American Institute of Architects

Membership file may contain membership application, Fellowship nomination, related correspondence.
Contact the AIA Archives at archives@aia.org for further information.

Publications

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Designed For Living

Tyler Today Home Style
by Robert Maulin
photos by Cindy Jay Henson

Wendy and Ray Gallagher say it took less than five minutes for them to decide to buy the house located at 526 East Lake Street in Tyler. "We knew immediately the house had great bones," Ray remembers enthusiastically. "We thought it would be a fun project to bring it back to its original glory." In the twelve years since buying the home, the couple took their time restoring it, careful to maintain its footprint as they updated it, while staying true to architect E. Davis Wilcox's original Mid-Century

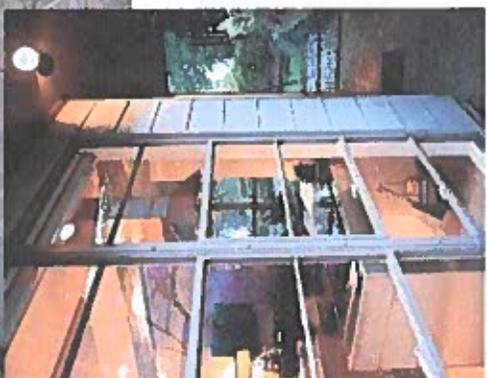
Modern design. "The house is itself a magnificent work of art," says Ray. "Every room has a distinct personality and character." As one walks through the rooms, there is a feeling that the house is beckoning you to explore it, to notice its uniqueness and quality. The built-in creature comforts and conveniences seem decades ahead of their time, and yet give one a feeling of nostalgia. "We haven't changed the house so much as we made it more elegant," Wendy says, emphasizing her

respect for the artistry inherent in Wilcox's design.

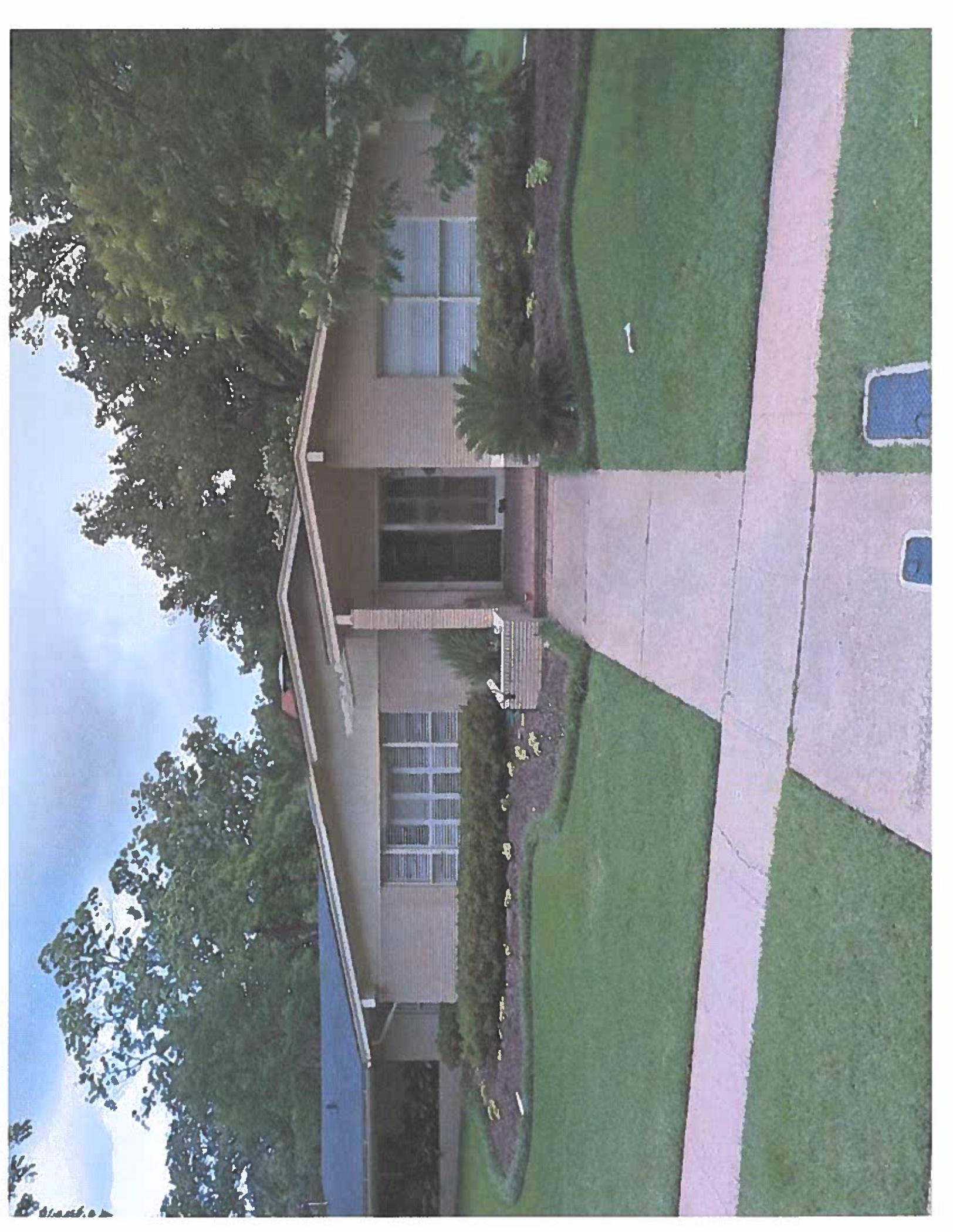
Wilcox, a prominent Tyler architect, was a member of the American Institute of Architects from 1950 until his death in 2000. He built the home at the corner of Lake and Sneed for himself and lived in it from the day construction was completed in 1952 until his death. The belief is he designed more than 70 residential buildings in Tyler. His most significant public building is the Tyler Museum of Art.

located on the campus of Tyler Junior College.

Although showing wear from nearly fifty years of living, the home seemed amazingly well maintained. "We couldn't decide what to do about the entry hall," Ray says. "There was something about the original wall paper we liked." "Finally," Wendy confesses, "we just gave up and decided to keep it exactly as it was. So the entry hall is exactly the same as it was in 1952."







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April 19, 1976

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If you see Bobby Dodd, give him my best.

Warmest best wishes,

JERRY FORD

Mr. E. Davis Wilcox
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833 South Beckham Avenue
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E. DAVIS WILCOX, FAIA
CHARLES F. HANNA, AIA

April 14, 1976

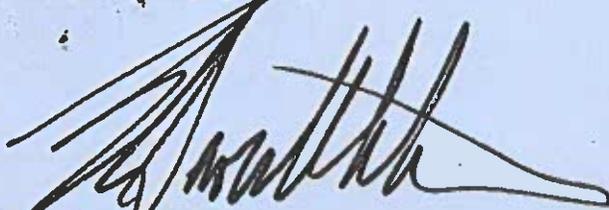
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President Gerald Ford
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20000

Dear Mr. President:

I enclose a copy of my letter to Bobby Dodd in answer to his query, a tabbed "Sports Illustrated" magazine and a clipping from my firm's brochure which evidences my identity.

As we age, Mr. Ford, our memories of the past may become embellished, inaccurate or even contradictory. If my accounting of incidents of the 1934 Michigan-Tech game require repudiation please furnish Bobby Dodd or me with your clarification.

Respectfully yours,



E. Davis Wilcox

EDW:dh

Enc. 3

cc: Mr. Bobby Dodd

E. DAVIS WILCOX ASSOCIATES**ARCHITECTS****533 S. BECKHAM AVE. • TYLER, TEXAS 75701****PHONE 592-1052****E. DAVIS WILCOX, FAIA****CHARLES F. HANNA, AIA****April 13, 1976**

**Mr. Robert L. Dodd
Athletic Director
Georgia Institute
of Technology
Atlanta, Georgia 30332**

Bobby, I am responding to your secretary's request for my remembrance of the 1934 Michigan-Tech game.

None of us will have forgotten the trade of our end for Michigan's black end named, I believe Ward, nor the endless booing we were accorded.

Three instances of a personal nature are well remembered by me. I intercepted the one and only pass of my career and also missed a field goal attempt which was not unique for me.

Our President was involved with the third incident which I'll relate. I kicked-off to commence the second half and continued down field. Jerry Ford was stationed in my path and was crouched so extremely low that I was determined to hurdle him. Unfortunately, Ford raised his face to be implanted with my shoe as I went over him. He chased me down field where the ball had been downed near Michigan's goal line at which point some words were passed between us. Ford, talking across the line, vowed that they would run over my position the next series of plays. With my brother, John, backing up the line and those aside me, we held until they were forced to kick on the fourth down. As soon as the game was over, Jerry Ford and I congratulated each other, shook hands and parted as friends.

Bobby, the occasion of a guard being knocked out happened in a Kentucky game. Kercherale was kicking us to death. The "Old Man" decided to attempt a field goal which was normally my chore, however at that time I was led off the field for I didn't know where to line-up. Incidentally, John tried the field goal and missed.

I trust that our Honorable President will forgive my familiar use of his name.

Please tell Alice and your children of the enjoyment which my sons and I found with our companionship on the occasion of the celebration to your honor.

Sincerely,

Dave Wilcox

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cc: President Gerald Ford

E. DAVIS WILCOX, F. A. I. A.

BORN

AUGUST 15, 1913

EDUCATION

**B.S., ARCHITECTURE
GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
DIPLOMA, ARCHITECTURE
ECOLE DES BEAUX - ARTS AMERICAIN EN FRANCE
GRADUATE STUDY
YALE UNIVERSITY**

TEACHING

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VISITING CRITIC ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN**

ARCHITECTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

**AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
MEMBER OF THE COLLEGE OF FELLOWS
MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS**

**TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS
VICE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR
CHAIRMAN OF COMMISSION ON ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN**

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURAL REGISTRATION BOARDS
MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATION**

**TEXAS STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS
MEMBER AND CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

**DESIGN JURY MEMBER
AASA SCHOOL BUILDING ARCHITECTURAL EXHIBIT JURY
FIRST SCHOOL DESIGN JURY FOR HOUSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
HONOR AWARDS PROGRAM JURY FOR HOUSTON CHAPTER, A.I.A.**

PANEL MEMBER

**G.S.A., REGION 7, ADVISORY PANEL ON ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION ADVISORY CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION,
T.S.A. EDUCATION ENVIRONMENT CONFERENCE, MODERATOR
TEXAS EDUCATIONAL AGENCY SCHOOLHOUSING CONFERENCE
CITY OF TYLER BUILDING CODE COMMITTEE
CITY OF TYLER BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AND APPEALS**

CAREER ACHIEVEMENT

**U.S. NAVY, LT. COMMANDER USNR
FIGHTER DIRECTOR, PACIFIC THEATRE 1942-46
SPORTS ILLUSTRATED SILVER ANNIVERSARY
FOOTBALL ALL-AMERICA, 1939**



No. NF #1349
 Received Oct. 2 1967
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 Voted On _____ 19____
 Granted April 3 1968

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
 JURY OF FELLOWS

No. M #1349

NOMINATION FOR FELLOWSHIP

CASE RECORD

1. Name of Nominee E. Davis Wilcox Date of Nomination September 11 19 67
2. Address of Nominee 833 South Beckham Avenue, Tyler, Texas
3. Nominee's firm E. Davis Wilcox Associates
4. Nominee's principal place of business same as above
5. Nominee's Chapter Northeast Texas Chapter
6. Nominee's State Organization Texas Society of Architects
7. Nominee admitted to Institute January 20, 1950
8. Nominee has been in good standing in Institute from 1 19 50 to 12/31 19 67
9. Nominee's age 54 Birthplace Saginaw, Michigan
10. Nominators: Fellows
 - (1) C. Herbert Cowell
 - (2) Mace Tugate, Jr.
 - (3) George F. Harrell
 - (4) R. Max Brooks
 - (5) William W. Cudfill
11. Achievement DESIGN & SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

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Nomination for Fellowship by Individual Members and/or Fellows

The Jury of Fellows The American Institute of Architects 1735 New York Avenue, Northwest Washington, D. C.

Date September 11 19 67

We hereby nominate E. Davis Wilcox corporate member of the Northeast, Texas Chapter, AIA for fellowship in

The Institute for his notable contribution to the advancement of the profession by his achievements in Design

Service to the Profession (NAME OF CATEGORY(S) FOR WHICH NOMINATION IS MADE—I.E., DESIGN, SCIENCE OF CONSTRUCTION, LITERATURE, EDUCATION, SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION, PUBLIC SERVICE)

Evidence of the qualifications of the nominee for the fellowship is appended.

Members' Signatures

Chapter of Members

C. Herbert Cowell F. A. I. A.

Houston

Mace Tungate Jr. F. A. I. A.

Houston

George F. Harrell F. A. I. A.

Dallas

R. Max Brooks F. A. I. A.

Austin

William W. Caudill F. A. I. A.

Houston

* must be personally signed and typed

THE NOMINATORS SHOULD SEE THAT DATA IS SENT TO THE JURY OF FELLOWS IN SUPPORT OF THIS NOMINATION. ALL SUCH COMMUNICATIONS SHALL BE PRIVILEGED AND NO COPIES SHOULD BE GIVEN TO OTHERS.

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KOETTER, THARP & COWELL

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BIOGRAPHICAL STATISTICS

Additional sheets may be inserted to supplement any page, 2 to 7, inclusive.

Typewriting only

1. Nominee's full name: E. Davis Wilcox
2. Nominee is a natural naturalized citizen of United States of America
(NAME OF COUNTRY)
3. Nominee's legal residence (address): 526 E. Lake St. Tyler, Texas
4. Nominee's firm name: E. Davis Wilcox Associates
5. Nominee's principal place of business (address): 833 South Beckham Ave. Tyler, Texas
6. Nominee is registered or licensed to practice architecture by: Texas

(NAME OF STATE BOARD, NCARB, AS CASE MAY BE)

7. Nominee is registered or licensed to practice architecture in the states of: Texas

8. Nominee is engaged in the profession of architecture as: _____

Principal & Owner of E. Davis Wilcox Associates
(CURRENT STATUS OF EMPLOYMENT AND POSITION)

9. Nominee's date of birth: August 15, 1913 Place of birth: Saginaw, Michigan

10. Nominee's education:

(a) Name of High School, College, University, Private Schools, Post Graduate, etc. (chronological order)

LOCATION	NO. OF YEARS	YEAR OF GRADUATION	DEGREE
Tyler High	Four (4)	1931	
Georgia, Tech.	Four (4)	1935	B.S. in Architecture
Fontainebleau, Paris	One (1)	1936	Diploma
Yale University	One (1)	1937	

(b) Scholarships held by nominee:

Academic Athletic Scholarship, Georgia Tech.

11. Nominee has traveled in the following countries:

Scandinavian Countries, England, France, Belgium, Mexico and Canada

12. Other data concerning nominee's record: (important experiences during employment or additional statistics of importance in nominee's record)

All American Football, Georgia Tech. 1935:
Sports Illustrated - Silver Anniversary, Football All America 1959
Military Service United States Navy, Lt. Commander Pacific Theatre,
Bronze Star.

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SEP 20 1959

KOETTER, THOMPSON & COWELL

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

(Part I of this page must be executed in all cases regardless of category for which nomination is made to conform to photographic exhibits which will be submitted.)

1.* Works

TYPE (a) Commercial (b) Monumental (c) Domestic (d) Special	IDENTIFICATION OF WORK	LOCATION OF WORK (City) (State)	COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION WORK (Year)	PHOTOGRAPHS SUBMITTED TO JURY OF FELLOWS
(a)	Peoples National Motor Bank,	Tyler, Texas	1966	(1)
(d)	Mattie Jones Elem, School,	Tyler Texas	1956	(2)
(d)	Tyler Junior College Methodist Student Center	Tyler, Texas	1962	(1)
(d)	Tyler Junior College Gymnasium,	Tyler, Tex.	1963	(1)
(d)	John Tyler High School	Tyler, Texas	1965	(3)
(d)	Boulter Junior High School	Tyler, Texas	1959	(1)
(e)	Texas Eastern School of Nursing	Tyler Tex.	1958	(1)

2. Describe nominee's notable work in design, to bring out the particular achievements the nominators believe have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession.

The nominee's devotion to the principles of design excellence has enabled him to provide his community with outstanding schools and buildings, fresh in concept, and with a sensitive respect for integrity of structure and materials. With a sympathetic awareness to site, environment, space relationship and functional planning he has through personal talent in the design of his buildings produced stimulating Architecture. He has been recognized by his colleagues as a leading designer and architect. He has had a marked influence on the Architectural Students and young practitioners of Texas.

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(2) MATTIE JONES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, TYLER, TEXAS

Honorable Mention - Texas Architecture	1956
Special Feature Citation - School Executive Competition	1957
Exhibit - AIA School Exhibit	1957
Exhibit - U.S. Information Agency European Exhibit	1958
Exhibit - AASA school Exhibit	1956

(1) TYLER JUNIOR COLLEGE METHODIST STUDENT CENTER, TYLER TEXAS

Exhibition - AASA school Building Exhibit	1963
Honorable Mention - School Executive Competition	1959
Exhibition - Texas Association of School Boards & School Administrators	1963
Exhibition - National School Boards Association - Architectural Exhibit	1963

(1) TYLER JUNIOR COLLEGE GYMNASIUM, TYLER, TEXAS

Exhibit - National School Board Association	1965
Exhibit - Texas Association of School Boards & School Administrators	1965

(3) JOHN TYLER HIGH SCHOOL, TYLER TEXAS

Exhibit - National School Board Association Architectural Exhibit	1966
Exhibit - Administrators School Building Exhibit	1966
Award of Merit - Northeast Texas Chapter A. I. A.	1966

(1) BOULTER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, TYLER, TEXAS

Award of Merit - Texas Architecture	1962
Exhibit - AASA	1960
Exhibit - Texas Association School Board & School Administration Association	1960

(1) TEXAS EASTERN SCHOOL & RESIDENCE OF NURSING, TYLER TEXAS

Award of Merit - Texas Architecture	1958
Honorable Mention - School Executive Competition	1959
Exhibition - American Hospital Association	1958
Award of Merit - Past Ten Years - Texas Architecture	1960

ACHIEVEMENT IN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN PUBLICATION AND EXHIBITIONS

Look Magazine	Mattie Jones Elementary School Tyler, Texas	1957
Architectural Record	Mattie Jones Elementary School Tyler, Texas	1957
	Cowboy Hall of Fame Winners Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	1957
Architectural Forum	Mattie Jones Elementary School Tyler, Texas	1958
Brick & Tile	Texas Eastern School of Nursing Tyler, Texas	1959
School Executive & Educational Business	Texas Eastern School of Nursing Tyler, Texas	1959
E. F. L. Project Report	Boulter Junior High School Gym Tyler, Texas	1961
Texas Architect	Tyler Junior College Gymnasium Tyler, Texas	1965
	Boulter Junior High School Tyler, Texas	1962
	Delbert Powell Residence Tyler, Texas	1960
	Texas Eastern School of Nursing Tyler, Texas	1958 & 61
	Thomas Andrew Woods Elementary School Tyler, Texas	1957 & 1960
P. C. Items	Tyler Junior College Gymnasium Tyler, Texas	1967
Precast Concrete Institute		
National Design Competition	National School Fallout Shelter Design Competition for the Department of Defense office of Civil Defense	1963 Second Award \$1,000.00
	National Cowboy Hall of Fame & Museum Competition	
	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	1957
	Project Cost	\$5,000,000.00
	Fourth Award	\$1,500.00
	Texas Competition for the Design of F. Brown Memorial Center, City of Brownsville	1951
	Project Cost	\$850,000.00
	Honorable Mention	\$250.00

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U. S. Information Agency	European Exhibit An Elementary School Tyler, Texas	1958
U. S. Department of Education Geneve, Switzerland	Internation Exhibit An Elementary School Tyler, Texas	1957
American Institute of Architects School Exhibit	Limited Exhibition An Elementary School Tyler, Texas	1957
American Hospital Assoc. Exhibition	Texas Eastern School of Nursing Tyler, Texas	1958
National School Boards Association, Inc. Archi- tectural Exhibition	John Tyler High School Tyler, Texas	1966
	Tyler Junior College Gymnasium Tyler, Texas	1965
	Rehabilitation Center of a State Hospital Rusk, Texas	1965
	Tyler Junior College Methodist Student Center Tyler, Texas	1963

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NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN SCIENCE OF CONSTRUCTION

1. Construction Work

TYPE OF WORK CONSTRUCTED	IDENTIFICATION OF WORK	LOCATION OF WORK	COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION WORK (Year)	PHOTOGRAPHS DRAWINGS, OR SKETCHES SUBMITTED TO JURY OF FELLOWS
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2. Books, Treatises, or Articles Written

SUBJECT TITLE	WHERE PUBLISHED	DATE PUBLISHED
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3. Describe nominee's notable work in the science of construction and any recognition thereof by other societies, to bring out the particular achievements the nominators believe have notably contributed to the advancement of the profession.

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NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

1. State fully the nominee's signal service to the profession, The Institute, his chapter, or his state organization, which the nominators believe has notably contributed to the advancement of the profession, and list the offices in architectural organizations occupied by the nominee and the period of each.

The Nominee has devoted many years of service to the Architectural profession through activities at local, state and national AIA levels.

In addition to this he has dedicated continuously untold time to his work on the Texas Board of Architectural Examiners, National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, National Accrediting Board, and in teaching activities. These services have been diligent and have enhanced the profession of Architecture and the American Institute of Architects.

The attached typed sheets list the many activities of the Nominee, in service to the profession.

NOMINEES ACHIEVEMENT IN SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

A. THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

- a. School Building & Educational Committee Member 1961-62
Corresponding Member 1963

Supported vigorous opposition of use and re-use of stock plans and infringement of Package Dealers.

- b. Committee on School and College Architecture
Corresponding Member 1964

B. THE TEXAS SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS

1. Director, Northeast Chapter 1958, 59, 60

Strengthened liaison between State and Chapter activities

2. School and Educational Facilities Committee Chairman 1959

Formulated, directed or moderated School design seminar

3. Commission on Architectural Design Chairman 1963

4. Vice President 1963

5. Director of Texas Architectural Foundation 1958 - 60

C. NORTHEAST TEXAS CHAPTER - VICE-PRESIDENT 1958

- President 1959-60

Instrumental in formulation of the Northeast Texas Chapter, and direction of activities as an officer thereafter until present.

D. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURAL REGISTRATION BOARDS

- A. Committees on Examination, Helped to establish and implement the use of uniform national examinations

1. Site planning and Design Member 1967-68
National Standard of Program and Judgement
Site & Design same Project

2. Building Equipment Committee Member 1962, 63, 64
Emphasize design - Choice of systems - Functions
(not handbook recall - such as pipe sizes)

3. Building Construction Committee Member 1965-67
Introduction of graphically presented questions.

E. TEXAS BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS

Secretary - Treasurer	1962
Vice - Chairman	1963
Chairman	1964

1. Appointed by Governor of Texas for a six year term
2. Instigated or supported close liaison with architecture practitioners, educators and students
3. Bi-yearly visitation of the Board of Texas Schools of Architecture.
4. Suggested attendance and participation as observer of Board Examination Meeting by representation of Faculty of Architectural Schools.

F. NATIONAL ARCHITECTURAL ACCREDITING BOARD

Member of Visitation Team University of Notre Dame	1964
California Polytechnic School	1966
Oklahoma State University	1967

1. Advised the need of emphasis of understanding and correlating architectural design concept with structural, mechanical - electrical and environments.
2. Curriculum to include humanities and understanding of past and present man and his environment.

G. ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION

1. Rice University Department of Architecture
Preceptor 1966-68
Preceptor 1961-63
2. Texas A. & M. School of Architecture Visiting Fifth year Design Critic 1963
3. Georgia Institute of Technology
Sponsor Wilcox - Connally Scholarship Award for Junior Students of Architecture Since 1956
4. Student Experience
Employment every summer of at least one architectural student for purpose of professional exposure and office training.
5. Consultation with secondary school students to offer advice and explanation of Architectural School & Professional opportunities.

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H. ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN JURY'S MEMBER

1. The American Association of School Administrator
School Building Architectural Design Program 1959
2. Houston Independent School District - The First
Elementary School Design Competition 1962
3. Houston Chapter AIA Honor Awards Program 1962

I. PANELS, CONFERENCES & LECTURES

1. V. S. General Services Administration
Region 7 Public Advisory Panel on Architectural Services
(Advance Architectural Excellence in Public and Private
Buildings)
2. Panelist School Administration Advisory Conference on
Education: Austin, Texas 1966
3. Lecturer and Slide Presentation Dallas Chapter AIA 1961
4. Panel Discussion on "New Development in School Building"
Texas Association of School Administrators, and Texas
Association of School Boards meeting Austin, Texas 1960

J. BUILDING CODE COMMITTEE FOR THE CITY OF TYLER

Survey and analysis of outmoded code, Preparation and Achievement
of Adoption of a meaningful current, building code.

K. PUBLIC SERVICE

Member

First Presbyterian Church
Tyler Chamber of Commerce
Salvation Army Advisory Board
Smith County Youth Foundation
Tyler Rose Festival Association
Willow Brook Country Club
Board of Adjustment of Tyler

NOMINEE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN EDUCATION AND LITERATURE

1. Education Work

(List the degrees and the educational positions held by the nominee, and bring out clearly the nominee's signal work and its particular force and influence which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession, and state evidences of recognition of such work by pupils, the profession, other societies, or the public.)

[Faint, illegible handwritten text in the Education Work section]

2. Literary Work

(List the original written works of the nominee and state clearly the particular force and influence of that work which the nominators believe to be a notable contribution to the advancement of the profession, and state evidences of recognition of such work by other societies, the profession, educational institutions or the public.)

BOOK, TREATISE OR ARTICLE	SUBJECT	NAME OF BOOK OR PERIODICAL CONTAINING WORK	YEAR WORK PUBLISHED
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April 9, 1968

Mr. E. Davis Wilcox, FAIA
E. Davis Wilcox Associates
833 South Beckham Avenue
Tyler, Texas

Dear Mr. Wilcox:

The American Institute of Architects desires to confer upon you the honor of Fellowship and membership in the College of Fellows, in accordance with the action of the Jury of Fellows at its recent meeting, for your notable contribution in Service to Profession.

Your presence is requested at the 1968 Convention of The Institute to be held in Portland, Oregon, June 23-27, 1968.

Those who have been advanced to Fellowship will receive their medals at the Investiture ceremony at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, June 24, 1968, at the Masonic Temple, Portland, Oregon. Presentation will be with appropriate ceremony and it is highly desirable that each of the newly advanced Fellows be present.

Information will follow as to rehearsal, room reservations and any other pertinent details.

The Officers of The Institute and the Jury of Fellows join in the request that you come to receive this honor in person. Please send your response to The Institute at an early date.

A memorandum from the Department of Public Services regarding the public announcement of your advancement to Fellowship is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Rex W. Allen, FAIA

April 9, 1968

MEMORANDUM

SEE ATTACHED

TO: 1968 Fellows

FR: Information Services at the Octagon

RE: News Announcement of New Fellows

The National AIA will announce the names of newly-advanced Fellows in a news release to be issued on May 15, 1968. We are asking all concerned to observe the release date of May 15th. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

NOTE: The following information is needed for the news release. Please fill in this form and return it without delay to:

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1735 N. Y. Ave., N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Please check the appropriate category and insert a 3 or 4 line statement describing your work which you would like to see included in the news release.

I WAS ADVANCED AS A FELLOW FOR:

DESIGN --

SCIENCE OF CONSTRUCTION --

LITERATURE --

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

The community is populated with many of his buildings which have been cited for design excellence.

PUBLIC SERVICE --

His diligent and dedicated contributions to professional organizations have enhanced the profession of Architecture and the American Institute of Architects.

Please print: Mr. E. Davis Wilcox 526 East Lake Street
(name) (home street address)

Tyler, Texas 75701
(city) (state) (zip)

E. Davis Wilcox Associates Tyler Principal & Owner
(name of your firm) (city) (your title)

...over...

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Georgia Institute of Technology
Ecole Des Beaux-Arts at Fontainebleau
Yale University Graduate School of Fine Arts
(colleges or universities where you studied)

Georgia Institute - B. S. in Architecture
Ecole Des Beaux-Arts - Diploma
(degrees or other academic awards)

January 20, 1950
(year you joined AIA)

19 National & International Awards, 9 Regional Awards, 4 Local Awards (See Attached)
(professional awards)

Sports Illustrated, Career Achievement Award, Silver Anniversary, Football All America
(civic awards)

None
(national AIA offices you have held--indicate whether former or current)

See Attached
(national AIA committee work--indicate whether former or current)

See Attached
(chapter offices you have held--indicate name of chapter--former or current)

See Attached
(civic activities)

List daily newspapers in your city to which you would like the release
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410 West Erwin St. | 410 West Erwin St. | Communications Center | 512-20 Travis
Tyler, Texas 75701 | Tyler, Texas 75701 | Young & Houston Sts. | Houston, Tex.
Dallas, Texas 75222 | 77002

List radio and TV stations in your city to which you would like the release
sent: KLTV | KTBB | KDOK | KZAK
P. O. Box 957 | Blackstone Hotel | Loop 323 N. E. | 1922 East Front Street
Tyler, Texas | Tyler, Texas | Tyler, Texas | Tyler, Texas
75701 | 75701 | 75701 | 75701

PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN THIS FORM WITHOUT DELAY SO THAT A NEWS RELEASE CAN BE PREPARED AND SENT TO YOUR CHAPTER IN ADVANCE, AND GIVEN TO MEDIA.

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

National & International

National School Fallout Shelter Design
Competition for the Department of Defense
Office of Civil Defense
Second Award 1963

National Cowboy Hall of Fame and Museum Competition
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Fourth Award 1957

U. S. Information Agency - European Exhibit
An Elementary School, Tyler, Texas 1958

U. S. Department of Education
International Exhibit - Geneva, Switzerland
An Elementary School, Tyler, Texas 1957

American Institute of Architects
School Exhibit - Limited Exhibition
An Elementary School, Tyler, Texas 1957

American Hospital Association - Exhibition
Texas Eastern School of Nursing, Tyler, Texas 1958

National School Boards Association, Inc.
Architectual Exhibition
John Tyler High School, Tyler, Texas 1966
Tyler Junior College Gymnasium, Tyler, Texas 1965
Rehabilitation Center for A State Hospital, Rusk, Texas 1965
Tyler Junior College Methodist Student Center, Tyler, Texas 1963

American Association of School Administrators
School Building Architectual Exhibit
John Tyler High School, Tyler, Texas 1966
Tyler Junior College Gymnasium, Tyler, Texas 1965
Rehabilitation Center for A State Hospital, Rusk, Texas 1965
Tyler Junior College Methodist Student Center, Tyler, Texas 1963
Boulter Junior High School, Tyler, Texas
Honorable Mention 1960
Thomas Andrew Woods Elementary School, Tyler, Texas
Design Citation 1957
Mattie L. Jones Elementary School, Tyler, Texas 1961

School Executive Competition
Texas Eastern School of Nursing, Tyler, Texas
Honorable Mention 1959
Mattie L. Jones Elementary School, Tyler, Texas
Special Feature Citation 1957

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS CONT.

Regional

Texas Competition for the Design of Ft. Brown Memorial Center City of Brownsville Honorable Mention	1951
Texas Architecture Design Awards Boulter Junior High School, Tyler, Texas Award of Merit	1962
Texas Eastern School of Nursing, Tyler, Texas Architecture of Merit - Past Ten Years	1958
Award of Merit	1958
Thomas Andrew Woods Elementary School, Tyler, Texas Architecture of Merit - Past Ten Years	1957
Mattie L. Jones Elementary School, Tyler, Texas Honorable Mention	1956
Texas Association of School Boards and Texas Association of School Administrators School Building Architectural Exhibit	
Tyler Junior College Gymnasium, Tyler, Texas	1965
Tyler Junior College Methodist Student Center, Tyler, Texas	1963
Boulter Junior High School, Tyler, Texas	1960

Local

Northeast Texas Chapter A. I. A. John Tyler High School, Tyler, Texas Award of Merit	1966
Tyler Club Marina, Lake Tyler, Texas Award of Commendation	1961
Thomas Andrew Woods Elementary School, Tyler, Texas Award of Merit	1959
Delbert Powell Residence, Tyler, Texas Award of Commendation	1959

COMMITTEE WORK

National A. I. A.

School Building and Educational Committee
Committee Member 1961 & 1962
Corresponding Member 1963
Committee on School and College Architecture
Corresponding Member 1964

National Council of Architectural Registration Boards

Committees on Examination
Site Planning and Design Member 1967 & 1968
Building Equipment Committee Member 1962, 1963, 1964
Building Construction Committee Member 1965, 1966, 1967

Texas Society of Architects

School and Educational Facilities Committee
Chairman 1959
Commission on Architectural Design
Chairman 1963

National Architectural Accrediting Board

Visitation Team
University of Notre Dame 1964
California Polytechnic College 1966
Oklahoma State University 1967

U. S. General Service Administration

Region 7 - Public Advisory Panel on Architectural Services
Panel Member - 1967 to Present

OFFICES HELD

Texas Society of Architects	
Vice-President	1963
Director	
Northeast Texas Chapter	1958, 1959, 1960
Director of Texas Architectual Foundation	1958, 1959, 1960
Texas Board of Architectual Examiners	
Member (Six Year Term)	1960 through 1965
Chairman	1964
Vice-Chairman	1963
Secretary-Treasurer	1962
Northeast Texas Chapter of A. I. A.	
President	1959, 1960
Vice-President	1958

CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Director - Smith County Youth Foundation
Advisory Board - Salvation Army
Building Code Committee for Tyler
Board of Adjustments and Appeals for Tyler
Tyler & East Texas Chambers of Commerce
Tyler Rose Festival Association
First Presbyterian Church

E. DAVIS WILCOX
Tyler, Texas

E. Davis Wilcox, head of E. Davis Wilcox Associates, Tyler, has been elevated to Fellowship in The American Institute of Architects for Service to the Profession.

Among 19 national and international awards, Mr. Wilcox was cited for a National School Fallout Shelter Design. His design for a Tyler elementary school was chosen by the U.S. Information Agency for exhibition in Europe.

He has served on the National Architectural Board to accredit university schools of architecture, and as design advisor, Southwest Region, General Services Administration.

A past president of the Northeast Chapter, AIA, he has also been vice president of the Texas Society of Architects, AIA. He is director of the Smith County Youth Foundation and serves on the Tyler City Building Code Committee and Board of Adjustments and Appeals.

For the past six years, Mr. Wilcox has served on the examination committee of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards. He is past chairman of the Texas Board of Architectural Examiners.

Mr. Wilcox holds degrees from Georgia Tech and Ecole Des Beaux, Fontainebleau, France. He lives at 526 East Lake Street, Tyler.





About the

Half Mile of History

The City of Tyler's historic preservation program, the Half Mile of History, resulted from a recommendation that came out of the Tyler 21 planning process. The fifth goal of the Historic Preservation Chapter is:

"Promote and display diverse aspects of Tyler's history to enhance resident and visitor awareness of its importance."

The goal of the Half Mile of History is to pay tribute to people, places and events that have contributed to the rich history of Tyler and Smith County.

The Half Mile of History is a permanent, outdoor, half-mile loop that surrounds the square in the heart of downtown Tyler.

Stone plaques are placed in the sidewalk along the Half Mile of History to commemorate significant people, places or events.



Half Mile of History Marker Unveiling

in honor of

E. Davis "Dave" Wilcox

Friday, May 2, 2014

"Dave" Wilcox was an athlete, war veteran, community leader, and award-winning architect. He moved to Tyler with his family from Michigan in 1920, and was a member of the Tyler High School State Champion football team in 1930. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Architecture from Georgia Tech in 1935, and also did post-graduate work in architecture at the Ecole de Beux-Fountainbleu School of Fine Arts in Paris and at Yale University. Wilcox joined the war effort in 1942. During his four-year term in the United States Navy, he served as *Fighter Director in the Pacific theater, where he acquired the rank of Lieutenant Commander and was awarded a Bronze Star.*

Wilcox returned to Tyler in 1946 and opened the Architectural firm of E. Davis Wilcox and Associates. In addition to many noteworthy architectural accomplishments, he also worked extensively for the benefit of others interested in the field. He served as a preceptor for the Rice University Architectural program and was active in the American Institute of Architects, The Texas Architectural Foundation, the Texas Board of Architectural Examiners, and the National Architectural Accrediting Board. He served as a Visiting Design Critic for architectural design at Texas A&M, and contributed to numerous other prestigious architecture and design organizations nationwide.

Mr. Wilcox was recognized nationally and internationally for his accomplishments and was known locally as an innovator in what is today labeled "Mid-Century Modern" architecture. Among his award-winning designs are several buildings still in use on the campus of Tyler Junior College, as well as the original Mattie Jones and Andy Woods Elementary schools, and John Tyler High School. Wilcox, who wanted to lead by example and help shape his community, has left behind an enduring legacy for the people who inhabit his structures, and will provide an immeasurable benefit for the people of Tyler for many generations to come.



Stall Mile of History Marker Unveiling

in honor of

E. Davis "Dave" Wilcox

Friday, May 2, 2014

Opening Remarks: Ellen Mussehnar

Stall Mile of History video presentation

Unveiling of Markers

Certificate Presentation

Responses:

Special Announcements