

WILD RIDE!

TTUHSC celebrates a rich 50-year history full of patient care, research and education.



70's



1972

Texas Tech University School of Medicine formally opens in **Drane Hall** on the Texas Tech University campus with 36 freshmen and 25 junior students.

1979

The 66th Texas Legislature expands the university's original charter designating the institution as **Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center**.



1970



1969

The 61st Texas Legislature passes HB 498, signed by **Gov. Preston Smith** on May 27, creating the Texas Tech University School of Medicine.

1977

Gov. Dolph Briscoe signs landmark legislation — introduced by **Surendra K. Varma, MD**, and Sen. Kent Hance — mandating statewide hypothyroidism screening of newborns.

