

WUOT's 60th Anniversary Open House
August 18, 2009



UT Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor Susan Martin (left) provided some history about the station in her open house remarks. Afterward, she enjoyed with event with (from left) her husband, Paul Barrette, along with former WUOT announcer Kevin O'Connor (2005-2007) and current WUOT Jazz Coordinator and *Improvisations* Host Todd Steed (2006-present).



Longtime listeners Erin and Dick Berry chat with staff as they tour the station.



Listener Dylan Powell shows off his caricature.



Michael Merritt, who has been listening to WUOT since 1956, sits down to have his caricature drawn by Marlee Parnell.



Katerina Spasovska, left, and Lei Wu got their caricatures done.



WUOT volunteer and underwriter Jan Coe poses with her husband, Eric Westlund.



WUOT member Harriette Spiegel, left, takes a break from volunteer duties to pose with Lauren Christ.



From left, former weekend announcer Kevin O'Connor (2005-2007) poses with his father Brian O'Connor.



From left, former WUOT Program Director Jack Westbrook poses with WUOT Director/General Manager Regina Dean (1995-present) and UT Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor Susan Martin. Westbrook was the station's first program director and was one of the two employees hired to run the radio station in 1949.



From left, UT Dean, College of Communications and Information Mike Wirth, UT Vice Chancellor, Communications Margie Nichols, UT Vice President, University Relations Hank Dye and WUOT member Peter Acly enjoy festivities in the library. Dye worked at WUOT as a student announcer during his freshman year at UT from 1959-1960.



Ray Shirley Jr. (left) videotapes the 60th anniversary open house for his father, Ray Shirley, who joined WUOT as engineer in 1956 and soon after was named the station's general manager.



From left, listener Jack O'Hanlon enjoys the company of fellow listeners Ed Patrick, Corrine Patrick and his wife, WUOT underwriter Maureen O'Hanlon.



Orion Casaday, one of the youngest attendees, finds a quiet spot to enjoy a cupcake.



From left, former WUOT host Ashley Capps (1973-2004), hangs out with WUOT's Jazz Coordinator and *Studio 865* Host Todd Steed (2006-present), listener Fiona McAnally and 91.9 Inc. Board Member Mickey Mallonee.



WUOT fan Michael Merritt with Office Manager Louise Higman and Senior Radio Programmer/Announcer Allan Ellstrom.



WUOT unveiled its 60th anniversary logo.



The timeline of WUOT's 60 years on the air includes memorable moments and milestones.

Listeners were invited to add their own memories related to WUOT.



Attendees get an overview of WUOT past and present on the timeline.



Attendees listen to remarks during a short program.



Listener Michael Lynch with Weekend Host Melony Maness.



Volunteer Rebecca Judy.



Long-time listener John Sutherland.



Attendees in the back performance studio.

And then there was the food....



One of the "60th Anniversary" cakes created by Connie's Kitchen.



The other anniversary cake.



Cupcakes from Magpies.



Sushi from EOS Catering.



Food from Middlebrook Gardens.