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**HALLMARK UNIVERSITY**  
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# Memo

## From Leadership



This year Hallmark University is celebrating a monumental achievement. We are excited to announce the 50th Anniversary of the founding of Hallmark University (then Hallmark Aero-Tech). Founded in 1969 at Stinson Municipal airport by Richard Fessler, Hallmark was initially created to train aircraft technicians for a rapidly growing industry that the world heavily relies on. We have developed dramatically over the last five decades, adding new programs and degree offerings, and have seen the incredible ways our programs have changed the lives of our students and the San Antonio community. To share and celebrate 50 years of change, we are thrilled to use this year to tell the

stories and achievements made by our students, faculty, and unique programs.

In the coming months, we will be sharing stories and videos that explore our rich history and the key individuals who have been an integral part of taking us to where we are today. Every area of study that we specialize and train in has a unique set of stories to share, from the creation of our degree programs to outstanding achievements made by our alumni.

Be sure to visit our 50th Anniversary webpage! You can click an interactive history of the Hallmark legacy, view stories from our alumni, and find details about upcoming events and celebrations.

We're very excited for what's to come during the rest of this year and are honored by the role everyone has played in getting us to this point.

**Brent Fessler**  
*Chief Advancement and Institutional  
Effectiveness Officer*

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# Recent News

## Hallmark University Formally Announces Eastside Cyberforce Prime

Hallmark University held its formal information and recruiting event for its free cybersecurity training program called "Eastside Cyberforce Prime" on March 29th. Industry partners, community members, and media representatives gathered in the Ella Austin Community Center auditorium to learn more about the program and benefits...

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## Nursing Instructor Judy Foster's Role In New Morgan's Wonderland Camp

The nonprofit organization began work on the new camp last year and organized an advisory committee to construct proper rides and accommodations. Judy Foster volunteered her time and served on the advisory committee for not only this project, but the original Morgan's Wonderland Park ten years ago...

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# PROGRAM UPDATES

## Representative Hurd Spoke At Hallmark University's Spring Graduation Ceremony

Hallmark University held its Spring 2019 Commencement Ceremony on May 18th, 2019 at Parkhills Baptist Church. To commemorate the occasion, United States House of Representatives member William Hurd was invited to attend and speak at the ceremony in front of a crowd of the newest group...

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## Stan Younger Pledge's \$30K In Scholarships To College Of Aeronautics Graduates

Stan Younger, the Vice President of the Western Region Division for Constant Aviation, has pledged to provide \$30,000 in scholarships to graduates of Hallmark University's Airframe & Powerplant program over the next ten years. The award will support recipients in the...

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## What The New Hallmark University Online Provides To The Nation

Hallmark University is committed to its mission to change higher education by creating degree programs that are affordable, faster, and designed with practical outcomes in mind. The results from Hallmark University's unique education model have benefitted...

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# From the Nest

## Alumni Association News

### FAA Honors '73 Graduate Glen Scott With Charles Taylor Master Mechanic Award

On June 5th, 2019 Hallmark University Alumni Glen Scott was awarded the Charles Taylor Master Mechanic Award, an honor given by the FAA to recognize those who have served as an aircraft technician for over fifty years. This award is named after the first mechanic in powered flight and is the highest honor the FAA bestows, recognizing the lifetime accomplishments of senior mechanics in aviation. Due to the eligibility requirements of the award, only 2077 technicians have received this honor since its inception in 1998, representing only 2% of the total aviation technicians in the workforce today.

Glen Scott began his lifelong career as an aviation technician in 1968 when he started working as a mechanics helper in San Antonio. His role grew his interest in aviation, and would routinely work on aircraft such as Lockheed Lodestars and the B-25

Mitchell, all while training to become a pilot. After working in aviation for two years, he enrolled in the second cohort at Hallmark University (then Aero-Tech) in 1971, with co-founder Richard Fessler as one of his primary instructors. [Read More](#)



### Have a great story?

Whether you're a faculty or staff member, current or past student, or university partner or friend, we want to hear your story.

[Share Your Story](#)



## A GENEROSITY INITIATIVE

During Hallmark University's Character 360 training, students are given \$10 to donate to someone in need, pay forward, or do a good deed. One Hallmark University student recently told her #KeepTheChange story:



“My story starts with my daughter, Maddie, listening to Christmas bells outside of Walmart. We stopped to listen, and I gave her money to put in the bucket. He thanked her for helping the homeless. That started a million questions, “What’s homeless? Where do they sleep? How do they eat?” Driving to preschool the next morning there was a man at the red light in the cold with a sign, and Maddie exclaimed “Mom, he’s homeless!” She insisted I roll the window down and gave him a dollar. She then asked if he liked pop tarts and kindly gave him one. The next day, the same gentleman was at the light, and Maddie asked what he wanted for

Christmas. He wanted socks, so Maddie took every penny she had saved from her pageant and bought him socks, gloves, scarves, and toothbrushes. A few days later, you can imagine the joy on her little face when she finally spotted him, and he was so happy to get those socks. We now make care packages to keep in the car to hand out at red lights. Most of the time it’s just water and a granola bar. Last Wednesday, we were out of granola bars. Maddie was so worried she would see a homeless person and not have anything to give. Thursday I dropped her off, and she said not to forget the granola bars. The price of those granola bars? \$9.98.”

[#KeepTheChange](#)



# *Save the Date*

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9.27.2019

## *50 Years of Change Gala*

Friday, September 27th, 2019 at 6pm  
Tobin Center for the Performing Arts  
Black Tie

Tickets, sponsorships, and more event  
details will be available soon.

Learn more about Hallmark's 50 Years of Change [HERE](#).

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