

E. R. Richter History

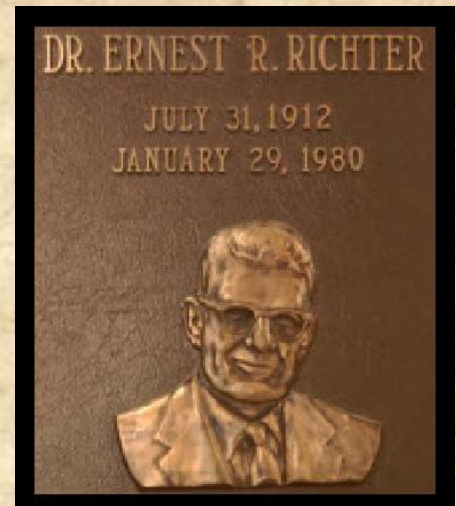
Dr. E. R. Richter Elementary was named in 1981 after a timeless role model, Dr. Ernest Rowland Richter. Ernest Rowland Richter was born on July 31, 1912 in Harlingen, Texas.

Ernest Richter graduated from the University of Texas Medical Branch in 1935. He met Alphene Paden while she was in nursing school and they later married in 1936. Dr. Richter practiced medicine in Dayton from 1936 to 1980.

He moved to Dayton in 1936 after graduating from the University of Texas medical school and was responsible for founding Dayton Memorial Hospital, giving the town its first hospital. He served as director of Kersting Memorial Hospital in Liberty.

In addition, Dr. Richter was a member of the Liberty-Chambers County Medical Association, the Southern Medical Association and the American Medical Association. His interests were not limited to the medical profession alone as he was a rancher, oil producer and chairman of the board of Boyce Industries. His family included his wife and two children, Margel Ann and Ernest Jr.

Dr. Richter once stated that his greatest pleasures were seeing Dayton grow and giving fishing lesson to Drew McGinty Jr.



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