

Ernst Johnson's legacy

The article by Linda Blackford on the University of Kentucky's building plans was excellent and very informative about a complicated problem that continues to face UK now, and will continue in the future.

Also, columnist Tom Eblen's observations regarding Ernst Johnson's buildings on the campus and the valuable architectural legacy left by them was very perceptive.

I worked closely with Johnson as his intern during that time and as a registered architect I became his architectural partner until he died in 1972.

I can state with authority that Johnson did not design the Donovan dormitory which is slated to be demolished on Rose Street. UK spokesman Bob Wiseman can proceed with the demolition of Donovan without affecting Ernst's legacy one bit.

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