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University administration and student newspaper editor reach compromise on a new student publication policy.

The revisions were implemented in response to concerns that student publications did not have enough autonomy.

UT Tyler alumni Bryan Hughes announces campaign for the Texas House of Representatives seat in a neighboring district.

Hughes majored in economics at UT Tyler in 1992, before continuing on to law school at Baylor. Hughes succeeded in ousting incumbent Bob Glaze in the November 2002 election. He continues to represent District 5 in the Texas House of Representatives today.

Thirty-Five UT Tyler students are named to the 2002 Who’s Who Among American Colleges and Universities.

UT Tyler hosts the Eisenhower International Run, a 5k race and 1 mile fun run.

Prizes for the May 9 event included a 3 day/2 night vacation to San Antonio and a V.I.P. packet for the Eisenhower International Golf Classic event at Willow Brook Country Club.

University officials investigate art studio thefts.

Thieves removed over $2000 worth of equipment from the UT Tyler Art Sculpture Lab on March 16 and April 8. Art Department faculty reported concerns that state budget restrictions would limit their ability to replace the items. No suspects had been identified.

Dr. Stephen LeFevre, professor of political science and interim dean of the School of Liberal Arts, is appointed to the Citizens’ Commission on the Texas Judicial System.

The UT System Board of Regents approves $34,000 Cray Research, Inc. grant to Dr. George Whitson, professor of computer science.
Country music singer Lee Greenwood performs in Tyler, one month after the release of his first album, “Inside Out”.

The album would go on to reach number 12 on the US Country charts and sell over 500,000 copies.

100 percent of students surveyed say they oppose the idea of changing the name from “University of Texas at Tyler”.

75 percent indicated that they “did not think a change would hurt their job opportunities”. The survey was conducted in response to recommendations from Governor William Clement’s task force on higher education.

Pamela Scoggins and Kenneth Nash, English Students, are awarded honorary grants from the Sam R. Greer and Laura Greer Ruggles-Gates Fund for excellence in English and literature.