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CURRENT EXHIBITS

- **1972 election** featuring political memorabilia from the presidential campaigns of Richard Nixon and George McGovern
- **Rep. William B. Williamson** exhibit featuring memorabilia from and about the man who helped create UT Tyler

On display at the library

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Ten Years Ago (May 2002)

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.



2002 Patriot Golf Classic at Hollytree Country Club
{photo courtesy of the University Archives}

Theatre program presents Children's Theatre Workshop, May 2.

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

Twenty Years Ago (April/May 1992)



Members of 5th Avenue perform at UT Tyler for Earth Day, 1992. The campus-wide event featured performers, food, and information booths from environmental groups. {Photo by Michael Prewitt}

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 Whittson, professor of computer science.

Thirty Years Ago (May 1982)

Dr. Patricia Gajda, history professor, publishes textbook.

Titled "Postscript to Victory: British Policy and the German-Polish Borderlands, 1919-1925", Dr. Gajda's book explored "the British-Polish relationship during the six years from the Paris Peace Conference to the Locarno agreements". The text was supported by extensive research in the United States, Paris, and Britain.

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.



Dr. J. Paxton Hart (left), English faculty, receives the 1982 Amoco Foundation's Teaching Award from University President George Hamm.

Dr. Hart received the \$1,000 gift for his work in English, drama, and business education at the University of Texas at Tyler. {Staff photo courtesy of Patriot Talon}

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.

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