## Opinion

Elections vulnerable, improvements needed

Rick L'Amie
$\qquad$ is the voice of the Tech student body. But do the election pro-
cedures properly allow the student voice to be heard?
In a word, no.
Your vote is a sacred right, not to be infringed upon by others. Under the present electoral
system at Tech, your right has system at Tech, your right has the potential of being abridged. This year, and in previous located in several buildings located in several buildings high traffic areas such as entrances, or lobbies where privacy is held to a minimum. This is not exactly an ideal situation for votes to be cast, privately or individually.
To vote, students are required to present a current Certificate of
Enrollment and a picture ID. The Enrollment and a picture ID. The
student is then required to initial his participation in the election on a computer print-out of all currently enrolled students, and the volunteer ballot-taker marks out a number on the back of the enrollment card, to prevent more than one vote. The student then allowed to cast his or her votes. The casted ballot sheet is then placed in a locked box, and at the end of the elections is opened to
count the votes. Fool-proof count the votes. Fool-proof
system, right? Wrong. If students do not have the required ID or enrollment card, and answer various questions that determine eligibility to vote If the student goes to the trouble table on the first day of elections, claiming that his enrollment card was lost, and is allowed to vote,
there is nothing preventing him there is nothing preventing him
from coming back the second day from coming back the second day
with an enrollment card and with an enrollment card and
voting a second time at a difvoting a second
ferent location.
That is only a minor flaw. There is a major flaw in the locations of polling sites. The busiest polling places are probably the two located in the University Center. Privacy is non-existent in

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several students discussing their
ballot sheets, and they were apballot sheets, and they were ap-
parently trying to decide on the
best qualified candidate. Is this a new system of group-polling?
At the time I cast
my vote in the Mass Communications Building, the entrance where the polling station was located was clogged with
students and candidates coming and going. One of these candidates, who was later declared ineligible to run on a technicality, approached my side as I was casting my ballot and politely asked me to write him in for his particular race. This is blatant within 30 feet of any polling station, according to the Rules Committee of the SA.
Preventing these violations of voting rights is simple.
Instead of establishing polling stations in high-traffic areas
where the ability to cast a vote in private is next to impossible, a separate room should be used that students could enter upon receiving their ballot sheets and
cast their votes in a quiet and cast their votes in a quiet and private atmosphere, at separate
tables or booths. Another possibility is roping off a portion of an entry way or lobby to allow more privacy.
Finally, if a student cannot verify his enrollment and provide he picture ID, he or she should will prevent duplication of votes. When elections are held for government offices, a voter simply cannot vote without a registration card, there are no second

Although these proposals would move the polls out of the eneral vicinity of the student
traffic areas and may reduce the number of votes cast, the overall fairness of the elections would be upheld, and the SA would be the voice of the Tech student to an even greater extent. Those few students who do choose to vote
will still make an effort if they will still make an effort if they want their voice to be heard.



## Hungarians following Polish crises

try and they are the only ones who have
regained their prewar status of abundant
food producers.
There are economic problems, as
everywhere, but with Hungary's record there would have been no slide to crisis in
Poland. The main secrets of Hungarian Poland. The main secrets of Hungarian
reforms seem to be that agriculture came first. liberalization while at times painfully slow has been steady without harsh reversals, and the regime understood it
had to show some confidence in the people in order to win their tolerance.


Soviet bloc countries now undermines the old thesis that effective reforms are con-
tagious. Hungary has not been imitated nd, on the contrary, its main fear is that its advances will be wiped out by the
structures of a new cold war.

Once again, the evidence is that each
nation really does have to work its own way and find its own compromises to make life tolerable within the bloc, and nonetheless has no guarantee of being, and left alone to make the effort no matter how prudently it moves. No doubt it won't be
until the people of the Soviet Union come
to demand a better life for themselves to demand a better life for themselves that their haples
their own gains.

Still, Hungary is pulling for Poland
now, and it makes some difference,
now, and it makes some difference.
Neither Yugoslavia, nor Poland, nor even Neither Yugoslavia, nor Poland, nor even
China is in a position to redefine dogma for Moscow.

But as each one chafes and strives to
adjust the Communist system, it provides adjust the Communist system, it provides
one more proof that it can be done. even one more proof that it can be done, even
by Russia, when it is ready. It would be an
impressive step forward for the Soviets, impressive step forward for the Soveiets, as well as a huge relief for the rest of the world, if they can stand back and let the
Poles find their new balance without the
tragic bloodshed that first opened the ay for Hungary.


News
Salinas favors slight tuition increase
State Rep. to fight tuition hike


State representative Froy Salinas favors an increase in tuition but does not believe it should be the
proposed 100 percent increase currently in committee at the state legislature. (Photo by Mark Rogers)


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Marshall Tucker Band's lead vocalist Doug Gray and the remainder of the band gave a short concert such as "Can't You See" and "I Heard It in a Love Song," accentuated by flutist Jerry Eubanks.
(Photo by Mark Rogers) (Photo by Mark Rogers)


## Concert good, yet short



Revlew: concert
'Tess' product of Polanski's maturity
with Kinski when she was 15 . Lot of discipline. I kept
That involvement was over by Nastassia dressed from her
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before her 17th birthday. before her 17 th birthday. Tess, which was finished over
"From the time I started the -a year ago, was turned down by "From the time I started the ayear ago, was turned down by
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Polanski has uns uncommercial. Amat the
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studio presidents who Polanski has said that the 811 studio presidents who turned
million Tess is the film of his dow the film was Frank Price
"." ""mature eyars." He means par- of Columbia. "Even though 1
tially that "when I was making thought it was a wonderful tially that "when I was making thought it was a wonderful
my first films I had the tremen- movie, I had reservations about
dous desire of imposing myself. it commercially", said Price $\begin{array}{llll}\text { dous desire of imposing myself. } & \text { it commercially," said Price. } \\ \text { I don't need that any more. I } & \text { "Then I found that the picture } \\ \text { want real characters in whom } & \text { stayed with me and, ultimately, }\end{array}$ want rael characters in whom
you believe. There was no wouth me and , ultitiately
I decided we could release it." you believe. There was no doubt
in my mind that Tess really existed, so I chose this novel with At the Cannes Film Festival
all its shortcomings and tried to in 1979 , Polanski said he was in be as faithful to it as possible."
The restraint and decorum tending to return to America, ", a with which he has approached he sais. "I said I would do it and
Tess are, he says, a way of ex- I will. Not to live in the United pressing Hardy's style.
"You couldn't use probles. but." to resolve my legal I You couldn't use problems." At the request of Chinatown, because that judge removed himself from the
violence was described in the case a year or so aro violence was described in the case a year or so ago and tb
literature of Raymond Chandler case is to be reopened when the

## Wolfman Jack leaving

 rock' 'n rolll is leaving NBC's MMidnight Special after eeight yearsbecause "changes in the show's format have seriously eroded the because "changes in the show's format have seriously erodeded the
show's and his rock'n'roll image," his partner said thursday. show's and his rock n ' rol image, his partner said hursday.
The bearded Wolfman gave his resignation to producer Burt
Sugarman last Friday but will appear on three or four more Sugarman last Friday but will appear on three or four more
shows before leaving, partner Don Kelly said. shows before leaving, partner Don Kelly said. "The Wolfman feels that an attempt by producers to make the
show appeal to a broader audience has caused the show to lose show appeal to a broader audience has caused che show to lose
its loyal audience - and that he just doesn't fit in anymore, it
just isn't in keeping with his imal just isn't in keeping with his image and his love for rock 'n' roll
Kelly said.
Wolfman Jack has done 400 Midnight Specials, Kelly said.

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"You know, times have changed, but I hope some things like this Other points discussed include preretirement plan
alcoholism and the euture social security.
The show is aired mightly Monday-Friday at 6:30 p.m.



## Series combines

 talk,variety showsMost television shows are aimed at adults aged from 18-34,
but public television, through KTXT Channel 5, features a show
with
"Over Easy," produced by KQED San Franscisco, is a com-
bination variety-talk show which proves that life can begin at 40 , or 50 or 85 for that matter. "Retirement should be left up to the individual"," is one idea supported by show co-host Hugh Downs.
As a variey show, "Over Easy" creators of any art toi illustrate that life is a beautifulu experience,
no matter what age. "Their music reflects the songs of the Big Band Era."
During his interviews with celebrities and professionals, During discusses with his gueests finitincial and professionals,
sideratial ons
soncerning the elderly, including medical and consumer-related problems.
Moreover, consumer products are presented on the show that will aid interested consumers in purchasing new products.
A more light-hearted side of the show presents guests on the generation gap. One episode of "Over Easy" featured
retired guest singer Frankie Laine. Laine discussed the recurr-


French pantomimist Marcel Marceau returning to the United States this sprwill present a program in the Lubbock ing after a one-month engagement at Audinium March 26, the Thursday
after Spring Break. Marceau made his North American debut in 1955, and is in Japan, Mexico, Venezuela

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## Houston downs UT for SWC tourney crown



Houston victory gives SWC hope in NCAA tourney By JEFF REMBER
UD Staf Writer
SAN ANTONO SAN ANTONIO - Houston's win in the final round of the
Southwest Conference Post-Season Classic Saturday might have been a blessing for the league.
Of course. there are some epople, mainly Texas fans, who think
the best the best outcome of the championship game would have been a
Longhorn victory. Longhorn victory.
Houston with SWC Offensive Player of the Year Rob Williams
drilled Texas in the finals $84-59$ to advance to the NCAA Cham driled Texas in the inals $84-59$ advance w ine NCAA Cham-
pionship Tournament as the conferences official represtative.
Houston entered the contest as the favorite by virtue of its 20 Houston entered the contest as the favorite by virtue of its 20 -
8 season record and 11-6 record against SWC competition. 8 season record and 11-6 record against SWC competition.
The Cougars finished second in the SWC standing to earn
first and second round byes. In Friday semifinal action first and second round byes. In Friday semifinal action,
Houston eliminated the surprising TCU Horned Frogs $73-53$. Texas entered the game with a $15-14$ record and 10-9 mark
against SWC opponents. The Longhorns knocked off Rice 58-4 in first round action and Tech $66-58$ in second round action.
Texas upset SWC regular season champ Arkansas (now 22-7) Friday with a 76.73 semifinal win.
Now if the Lond Now if the Longhorns had won, the SWC most
have placed three teams in post-season competition.
Texas would have represented Texas would have reppresstnted the conpererince in the NCAA
tourney. The NCAA might have given either Houston or Arka tourney. The NCAA might have given either Houston or Arka
sas an at-large bid, which is like a wild-card invitation. The other school would have probably received a NIT bid.
But if Saturday's clinic that But if Saturday's clinic that Houston held for to Texas was
any indication, the Longhors might have suffered a far worse any indication, the Longhorns
defeat in NCAA tourney action.
Would that have been to the conference's benefit? Not when
the SWC is finally gining reonition the SWC is finally gaining a recognition as a legitimate basket
ball conference. Houston is guaranteed a tourney berth and Arkansas has a at-large bid wrapped up. Both schools should be competitive in
the NCAA tourney. Houston has the advantage because of momentum gained
from the Texas win. The Most Valuable Player Williams scored 37 points and he scored almost at will against the Longhorn
defense. defense.
With an With an $66-48$ lead and $8: 36$ left in the game, Houston went in
to a spread offense to kill time and protect the lead. Texas coac Abe Lemons, ontike the Longhorn fans in the crowd, spoke ap-
preciatively of the Cougar tactic. preciatively of the Cougar tactic.
"I enjoyed the delay game. The
hadn tij.:
And regarding Will
And regarding Williams, a sophomore who led the SWC in
scoring this season, Lemons said he approved of the Cougar scoring this season, Lemons said he approved of the Cougar
guard declaring himself a hardship case and becoming eligible
for guard declaring himself a har
for the NBA draft this summer.
"He's
"He's got my vote for hardship. I've been trying to talk him
into it for two years." Lemons said. "He carries them. He's a into it for two yeaa
coach on the floor.
coach on the floor.
"But theres something about us he likes (three UH wins in "But there's something about us he likes (three UH wins in
three games). They oughta tell him every night that he's playing
Texas."


## Hogs, Cougars get tourney bids



