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A&M softball clinches invitational

No. 14 LadyAggies perform behind strong pitching

By Stewart Doreen

THE BATTALION

The 14th-ranked Lady Aggie softball team gave head coach Bob Brock an early birthday present, coming from behind to beat No. 5 Long Beach State University 3-2 to win the championship of the 15-team Aggie Invitational.

their record to 16-9, fell behind the 49ers 2-0 after LBSU's Nicole Ochoa hit a solo homer in the fourth.

A&M came back in the top of the sixth when Mya Truelove hit a bases-loaded sacrifice fly to center, and Barbi Tuck hit a two-run double to give the Agries the lead they would not re-

"This was a big win," Brock said. "I almost feel like we won the World Series, it's been so long since we won our own

Kim Gonzalez threw her third complete game of the day improving her record to 12-4.

Gonzalez, who led the NCAA with 33 wins last year, threw 37.2 innings in the tournament allowing only three

"I can't say enough about Kim Gonzalez," Brock said. She pitched three games in a row and showed the type of player she is. That gave us a lot of confidence

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Kule Burnett/ THE BATTALION

Texas A&M's David Minor, right, slides safely into second base after knocking the ball loose from Indiana State's John Warn during the second inning. A&M won the three-game series against the Sycamores: 10-3, 8-2, 8-1; improving A&M's record to 13-4. The Aggies play the University of Tampa at 3 p.m. today at Olsen Field.

A&M names replacement for receivers job

From staff and wire reports

Head football coach R.C Slocum named Les Koenning Jr as Texas A&M's wide receivers

Koenning served as an assistant coach under Fred Goldsmith at Rice and left with Goldsmith for Duke after the 1993 season.

At Rice, Koenning developed several All-SWC wide receivers in his four seasons as receivers

Prior to his arrival at Rice, Koenning worked four years as the offensive backs coach at Mississippi State.

The 35-year-old Koenning graduated from Texas with a bachelor's degree in physical education in 1980 and a master's degree in sports management in 1983.

Koenning replaces David Culley at the coaching position. Culley left to coach at the University of California - Los Angeles.

Lady Aggies fall to Lady Raiders in Tech blowout

The Associated Press

- Texas LUBBOCK Tech's Noel Johnson scored 21 points as the No. 5 Lady Raiders beat Texas A&M, 109-75, Saturday afternoon, clinching their third straight Southwest Conference title.

Connie Robinson added 19 points for the Lady Raiders

(24-3, 12-2 SWC), who won their 18th straight home

The Lady Aggies (20-6, 11-3) kept the game close early in the first half, leading 22-20

midway through the period. But LeKisha Wiley tied the game and Johnson sank a

free throw with 12:06 left in the half for a 23-22 Tech lead. The Lady Raiders never trailed after that, closing out the period with a 38-11 run. Four Tech players scored in double figures by halftime as the Lady Raiders led, 60-33.

Michi Atkins and Wiley each had 16 and Janice Farris had 13 for Tech.

Beth Burket led the Aggies with 12 points, Kelly Cerny had 11 and Donyale Canada

Texas Tech stuffs wilting Aggies

By Jose de Jesus Ortiz

THE BATTALION

Texas Tech's Jason Sasser had 30 points,14 rebounds and played the entire game as the Red Raiders downed the Aggies, 89-80, and moved to a second place tie in the Southwest Conference with the Aggies on Saturday.

The Aggies finished the first half with a 40-39 lead, largely because of the three-point shooting of seniors Brett Murry and Chuck Henderson.

Henderson scored all 12 of his points in the first half after making all four of his three-point attempts. Murry made two of three attempts from behind the three point line and finished with 13 points in the first

But Henderson went 0-3 from behind the three-point line in the second half. Murry also had a slow second half, scoring only four points.

With the Aggies leading, 44-43, with 17 minutes remaining in the game, Tech went on a 12-point run that the Aggies did not recover from.

Sasser led the rally with seven points and

three rebounds. Sasser was a very active player," Murry

said. "He was always moving and getting those rebounds.

Senior point guard David Edwards, who scored 14 of his 16 points in the second half, said Sasser's and Tech's rebounds were the

main keys to the Red Raiders's victory. "We had to stop Sasser from rebounding," Edwards said. "But they all rebounded well, and (to win) we had to keep them off the boards.

The game was billed as Senior Day for the Aggies, and Edwards said it would have been nice if the seniors could have finished their careers at A&M with a winning record.

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A&M's bench looks on as the Aggies lose to Texas Tech on Saturday, 89-80.

The Former Students at Price Waterhouse congratulate the following students who have been admitted to Class III of the Professional Program in Accounting:

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