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by Will Lloyd

### Snyder

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have experience with Texas A&M," said Matt Mosier, a freshman meteorology major, "then how is she going to be able to represent it in Congress?"

Sophomore political science major Philip Shackelford said Snyder's politics may not belong on the national arena but rather, may be better suited for a position as a school board president.

Snyder has reiterated how important A&M is to this district and said that she loved what she has seen of campus.

"A&M is the largest employer in this district, which makes it very, very important," Snyder said. "I hate to see tuition going up because college is a ticket to success."

To provide the opportunity for underprivileged youth to attend college, Snyder established the Mac Grant program, which sends deserving students to a two-year technical school after high

school. The scholarship can be extended to allow the students to get an undergraduate degree after they complete technical school.

The Mac Grant program has helped students from the Waco area attend A&M, Snyder said.

During Snyder's time on the Waco ISD school board, she championed an initiative to end social promotion in public schools. Social promotion is defined as allowing a student to proceed to the next grade based on behavior and not on knowledge of the curriculum assigned to that grade level.

"My kids get on grade level and often stay on grade level," Snyder said.

This initiative forces students to have the ability to perform basic skills at each level. President George W. Bush has now integrated the social promotion policy into his "No Child Left Behind" Act, Snyder said.

"Education and hard work is the answer to everything, so I want to help kids go for it. If you work hard, you can get the American dream," Snyder said.

### Court

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in the dark ever since.

"Texas has no system in place, and what you have is chaos," said Steve Hall, director of StandDown Texas, which opposes the death penalty.

Dianne Clements, president of the victims rights group Justice For All, said it's difficult not having a clear state definition of mental retardation.

"These defendants are taking

every opportunity they can to remove themselves from death row. If a defendant raises the claim, we provide them with super due process because of the law," Clements said.

Texas has about 450 prisoners on death row.

The Texas Defender Service, which represents capital murder defendants on appeal, has tracked the number of post-conviction mental retardation claims by death row inmates since the Supreme Court's 2002 ruling.

The state Court of Criminal

### Clarification

A Feb. 13 article quoted performance studies professor Harris Berger on issues related to the Faculty Committed to an Inclusive Campus (FCIC). However, Berger was not the source of the the quotations. The source of the quotation falsely identified himself as Berger.

### Alcohol

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and forget about the troubles of the day. However, in excessive amounts, it can cause bad judgment, he said.

In a joint effort with A&M officials send out birthday cards to students on their 21st birthday sponsored by the parents of Michael Wagener, who died of alcohol poisoning on his 21st birthday. The card contains information about safe drinking and Wagener's story. It also includes the symptoms of alcohol poisoning.

Carter said if a student has been drinking and doesn't have a sober ride, they can call CAL-POOL at 693-9905 Thursday through Saturday from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m.

### Uprising

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squads in 1987 and a militia known as the Front for the Advancement and Progress of Haiti, or FRAPH, which killed and maimed hundreds of people between 1991 and 1994, was seen in Gonaives by several witnesses.

Chamblain fled to the Dominican Republic after U.S. troops were sent to restore Aristide to power and end a bloody dictatorship in 1994.

Also spotted was Guy Philippe, a former police chief who fled to the Dominican Republic after being accused by the Haitian government of trying to organize a coup in 2002.

Witnesses reached by telephone said the men were working with rebels in Gonaives but were massing in Saint-Michel de l'Atalaye, about 28 miles to the east.

Dominican Gen. Fernando Cruz Mendez said Philippe would be arrested if he tried to re-enter the Dominican Republic.

In May, Haiti's foreign minister visited the Dominican Republic requesting that authorities turn over Philippe. Dominican officials had detained him earlier that month but released him after finding no evidence to support claims he was plotting against Haiti's government. No extradition treaty exists between the neighboring countries.

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