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# Google talk to look at effects of technology

By Josh Hopkins

Technology is the foundation of global trade, economics and conflict — a theme that organizers with the George Bush Presidential Library want students to gain a deeper insight into with a Friday talk by one of Google's directors.

Jared Cohen, director of Google Ideas, will present his talk, "Technology Transforming the World," to discuss how technology enables individuals to confront threats in the face of conflict, instability and repression, according to a press release from the George Bush Foundation.

Cohen is the director of Google Ideas, and has served as advisor to the Executive Chairman of Google. He is an Adjunct Senior Fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations and he has served as a member of the Secretary of State's Policy Planning Staff.

Fred McClure, chief executive officer of the George Bush Presidential Library Foundation, said Cohen was originally to speak at a panel in the fall during the 25th anniversary weekend celebration of George H.W. Bush's presidency. McClure said Cohen was unable to make it then, which is why the foundation decided to invite him back.

Jared had written a book with Eric Schmidt at Google called "The New Digital Age" and so we hope what Jared will talk to the attendees about is basically the substance of the book but also the effect technology has on our lives," McClure said.

McClure said Cohen's talk will revolve around his book, emphasizing the importance of

technology in the 21st century.

"Our objective as a foundation is to bring people to campus who have interesting conversations and thoughts about public service and public policy," McClure said. "And what Jared and Eric's book has done is it talks about connectivity and what that means for everything from international relations, to politics to how states govern themselves, how we deal with terrorism, how to fix revolution."

Randy Kluver, communication professor, said Cohen's talk is important because there is still much to understand about the effect of technology today.

"We are only beginning to understand how the rise of the Internet will impact geopolitical relationships, the relations between states and between peoples of other nationalities," Kluver said. "This is critical, because the Internet has become the foundation for our economics, much of our media consumption, our trade ties and unfortunately, the ability of terrorist groups and others to communicate with one another."

McClure said he hopes the talk will result in a more informed and involved community and student body.

"There is not a goal to move a needle," McClure said. "The goal is to have more informed people so that they can understand the impact of technology on our lives, just like how Google has affected our lives dramatically."

The talk will be at 6 p.m. in the Annenberg Presidential Conference Center. Tickets are required, but are available free at the MSC Box Office in the Rudder Theater Complex.



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Supporters attend the reading of Yell Leader results.

## YELL LEADERS CONTINUED

tions is to make sure the student body's voice was heard."

Ritchie said he's glad the votes were counted fairly, but feels for his fellow 5 for Yell candidate Cook.

"Of course I'm kind of bummed Kyle didn't get it, but I'm just glad that it was all worked out," Ritchie said. "I know that God's in control, and I just trust in his sovereignty and worked out the way it did for a reason."

Having not garnered enough votes in the first election, Ritchie said he was prepared to accept Thursday's decision, whether he won or lost.

"No matter what would've happened, whether I would have gotten it or not, I would have been okay because being a Yell Leader doesn't define who I am," Ritchie said. "It is part of my title, but it doesn't define me, so I would have been fine either way."

Ritchie and Lawrence both said they look forward to a fresh start as Yell Leaders with Lanz.

"He and his staff worked really hard on their campaign and the students voted him in," Lawrence said. "Being a Yell Leader is like being a family, so we're ready to welcome him into that family. We're all looking forward to what next year has in store."

Wilder said he is excited by the results and said the revote was the right end to a long campaign season.

"It's been a long process and so I think giving the student body an accurate way of voting and getting a clean campaign season this week has been great," Wilder said. "As long as the student body's voice is accurately heard, that's all I'm worried about."

Trantham said the revote went smoothly and no allegations were reported by any candidate against another.

"I don't think that's because they weren't aware of what the other candidates were doing," Trantham said. "I think it's because generally everyone followed the rules. They wanted this to be a fair fight."

Victoria Rigsby, a kinesiology sophomore involved in the 5 for Yell campaign, said Lanz will be a credible leader.

"I think that it's cool," Rigsby said. "It's not like he's the first so I think it's cool that somebody else, a non-reg, can represent our school just as well and he's a great leader."

Wilson said the combination of cadet and non-reg representatives will give the Yell Leaders the chance to represent a fuller scope of the student body.

Trantham also said he looks forward to having a different Yell Leader makeup.

"Though it's nice to see a non-reg there, that's a far cry from the diversity that exists on this campus in total," Trantham said. "There's no women, there's certainly a lot of other demographics that could be represented in that group, but they're such a small group, such an elite group, that I think that I would remind them that they do represent every area of this campus."

David Trigg, Corps commander and business honors senior, said he was pleased with the results and that the decision to hold a revote speaks to the character of Aggies.

"We may sometimes make a mistake or we may have to admit fault here, but at the end of the day there are students here who care enough to make sure we are 100 percent correct in how we treat others and how we treat our integrity," Trigg said.

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Emma Douglas listens to a speaker at Monday's hearing.

## SBP CONTINUED

consequence.

"I think that the way that the decision worked, the majority said that three instances of off-campus campaigning occurred, which would have been three major fines," Murtha said. "And that's really sad that while they agreed that major violations of the rules occurred they were not able to overturn the election commissioner like their constitution says they're allowed to. I think it's really disappointing that our Judicial Court decided not to act in the way they are supposed to by upholding the rules and regulations."

Benigno said he is pleased with the outcome of the ruling.

"Obviously we would have preferred to win simply through election of the student body but we're thankful that the court ruled in the same way that the student body did," Benigno said. "And so while the entire situation has been unfortunate, we're grateful that it worked out the way it did."

Murtha said J-Court's admission that rules were violated — and the subsequent decision not to assess fines — shows there are issues with the system.

"There were obvious rules broken in his film and the J-Court case has set precedence that what the election commissioner says is set in stone and it's not able to be overturned regardless of whether they're right or wrong," Murtha said.

Now that the trial is over, Murtha said he hopes to continue to serve the student body and that he is deeply sorry the SBP process continued for so long.

"I really want the student body to know I personally am deeply sorry that this continued on for so long," Murtha said. "I'm sorry that it got so out of hand. I believe that A&M and the student body deserves the best from their elected officials or people that are running to be elected and I think that a lot of things got out of hand."

With the ruling behind him, Benigno said his next step will be to continue to support Kyle Kelly until the SBP transition on April 21 at Muster.

"I hope [the student body] knows that justice was done and the correct decision was made, both by the student body and by the court," Benigno said.

# OPAS brings unscripted comedy to Bryan Friday

By Cassidy Hudson

Straight from the streets of New York City, MSC OPAS will host BROADWAY'S NEXT HIT MUSICAL Friday in Downtown Bryan.

Directed by Rob Schiffmann and Deb Rabbai, the performance will combine current music and improvisation for a completely unscripted comedy musical event.

Schiffmann said the evening is set up as an award show involving audience participation, comedy aimed at local events and an entirely improvised performance.

"If we were to try to plan it, it would be like trying to write a musical in five minutes," Schiffmann said. "It is actually easier for us to rely on the skills of improvisation."

As guests enter, song requests will be taken and used in the show, making for a different experience each time.

"We will be coming to the audience for several ideas, it is certainly interactive," Schiffmann said.

As a show revolving around improvisation, Schiffmann said he enjoys the spontaneity of the performance.

"You really have to work as a team and I truly enjoy that feeling of creating together," Schiffmann said.

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