

RHA to try to raise funds for A&M freeze victims

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Because of the number of students who suffered water damage due to frozen pipes during the holidays, Hart Hall, help from the Residence Living Association, will begin a "Mop-Up" to raise money to compensate those students who lost personal property.

Donations will be collected door-to-door later this month and tables will be set up in the MSC, outside of Sbis and in the Commons.

RHA approved this committee at Tuesday's meeting. A controversial bill to propose an amendment to the Student Senate was also passed at the meeting.

Currently, the appointed student representatives of the RHA, Off-Campus Aggies and the Corps of Cadets don't have

speaking privileges in senate meetings and members of each of these organizations say matters arise in these meetings that directly affect the constituents of these groups and on many occasions these representatives have extra knowledge which could be of benefit to the senate. This bill was given special emergency attention because the student government will be amending the constitution soon.

RHA also established guidelines for spring election campaigning.

The elections will be March 27-28 and campaigning begins March 18. Door-to-door campaigning in the dorms will be allowed during these hours: Sunday-Thursday 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Friday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 1:30 a.m.

The next meeting of the RHA will be Feb. 21 at 7:00 p.m. in 158 Blocker.

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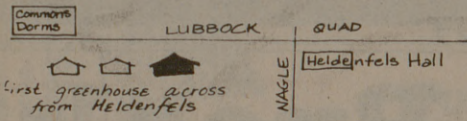
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Oswald's wife wants tapes

United Press International

DALLAS — The widow of presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald is suing the son of a Texas congressman to prevent his "private and personal" use of videotapes taken of Oswald's exhumation.

Court documents filed on behalf of Marina Oswald Porter and British author Michael Eddowes alleged Hampton Hall and another defendant violated the privacy of Porter, now married to Texas contractor Kenneth Porter.

"The defendants for a fee agreed to private videotaping services of the exhumation and autopsy of one Lee Harvey Oswald," the suit alleged. But the defendants — John Cullins and Hall, son of Rep. Ralph Moody Hall, D-Texas

— refused to return the material, which included photographs and other documents of the man who shot President John F. Kennedy in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963.

Instead, the tapes were "converted to their private and personal use," the suit alleged. The document did not elaborate.

In addition to the tapes themselves, Porter demanded "reasonable" legal compensation of at least \$5,000.

"I have no comment whatsoever at this time," said Hampton Hall, who did the actual taping.

Cullins, who handled the exhumation's security and contracted with Hall on a free-lance basis, could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

Both men live in Rockwall,

a Dallas suburb that is also Porter's home.

"Marina evidently is afraid those tapes might fall into the wrong hands," said a source close to the Russian-born woman. "To some people and some newspapers, they would be worth a fortune."

Porter initially did not want to keep the tapes, which depicted the forensic process, the source said, but she later realized the tapes could be used against her.

"She just assumed that the tapes would be locked up in a bank or a vault," he said.

The tapes show the removal of Oswald's body from a Fort Worth cemetery in October 1981 and the four-hour examination by a team of pathologists.

Eddowes, a co-plaintiff in the lawsuit filed Monday,

convinced Porter that Oswald might have been replaced by a Russian agent when he defected to the Soviet Union in 1959. But the pathologists, checking dental and medical records, debunked his theory.

"We hope this puts the matter to rest without further questions as to the identity of the body," said Dr. Linda Norton of the medical examiner's office at the time of the exhumation.

The pathologists spent most of their time making careful comparison of the body's teeth with Oswald's dental records from the Marine Corps in the mid-1950s.

"Now I have my answers," said the widow in October 1981, "and from now on I only want to be Mrs. Porter."

She could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

Space walking techniques learned in earth water tank

United Press International

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. — When astronaut Bruce McCandless donned a jetpack Tuesday and walked in space from the space shuttle Challenger, he was using techniques learned at the Marshall Space Flight Center.

During test flight simulations, McCandless was submerged in the center's 40-foot-deep Neutral Buoyancy Simulator while wearing a specially designed underwater version of the jetpack called a Manned Maneuvering Unit.

The neutral buoyancy facility is 75 feet in diameter, holds 1,400,000 gallons of water and is constructed of steel plating. The water is maintained at a constant 86 degrees Fahrenheit.

Robert Stewart who also walked in space Tuesday, participated in underwater simulations in a smaller neutral buoyancy facility at the Johnson Space Center in Houston.

Stewart's parents, Lee and Polly Stewart of Tusculum, have been at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida for two weeks to monitor their son's shuttle flight.

NASA officials said the water

tank simulations and Tuesday's test walks were necessary preparations leading to the planned repair of the disabled Solar Maximum Mission satellite in April.

Officials at the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md., asked the Marshall scientists to check out repair procedures Goddard technicians had developed. Goddard is responsible for managing the satellite repair mission.

During simulations at Marshall last year, McCandless donned a pressurized space suit and was submerged in the tank.

"The weightlessness of space was simulated by adding weights to the already buoyant space suits of those training in the tank until they neither float to the surface nor sink," said Charlie Cooper, lead engineer for the project.

Valerie Neal, spokeswoman for Essex Corp. of Huntsville, said the underwater version of the maneuvering unit was powered by eight electric trolling motors and duplicated the forward, reverse, roll, pitch and yaw characteristics expected of the flight unit.

When McCandless tested the

special simulator in the tank, he departed from a submerged orbiter cargo bay on the floor of the tank and practiced approaches to a full-scale mockup of the Solar Maximum Mission satellite stationed above him.

During the April mission, astronaut George Nelson will use the maneuvering unit to dock

with the failed satellite. Nelson will stabilize it and attach grappling devices so the Remote Manipulator System arm aboard the shuttle can latch onto the satellite and maneuver it into the cargo bay for repair.

The satellite was launched in February 1980 and operated successfully for 10 months.

Three children die in blaze; babysitter apparently drunk

United Press International

TEXARKANA — Police Tuesday were investigating the deaths of three boys in a fire that raced through a home where they were left in the care of an apparently drunken man and a "severely retarded" woman.

The oldest of the youngsters apparently started the blaze by playing with matches or a space heater, said police Capt. Charlie Campbell.

The bodies of Glen Powell, 4, and his brothers, Joseph, 2, and Christopher, 5 months, were discovered after firefighters extinguished the blaze that destroyed their wood frame home Monday.

The fire began at the rear of the house where the children were playing, but was not noticed by J.D. Brown and Ross Thomas, who were in a front room. A passing postman alerted them to the blaze, but flames made it impossible to reach the children.

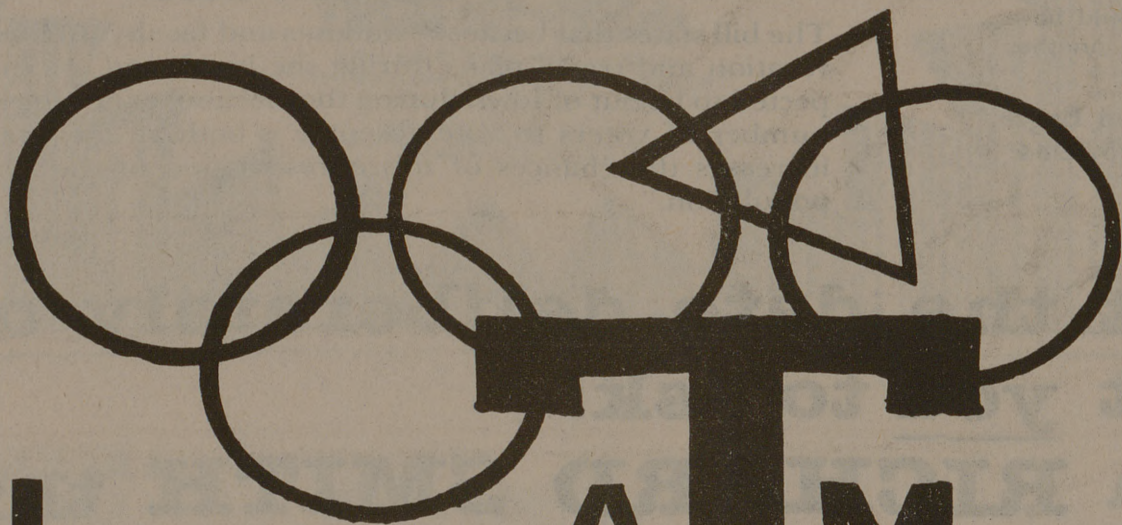
"During the course of the investigation, the lady told us the little boy was bad about playing with fire, and we feel like he set it," Campbell said. "The bodies were so badly burned it would be almost impossible to tell, but we feel like they died of smoke inhalation."

A spokeswoman for the fire marshal's office said an investigation of the fire was continuing.

The adults apparently did not notice the fire because they had been drinking, Campbell said.

"The woman was severely mentally retarded and the boy was drunk," he said. No charges were filed against the boys' mother, Marty Powell, 27, Campbell said. Investigators still were taking statements in the deaths. Mrs. Powell was away from the home at the time of the fire.

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