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RS wants tax forms mailed by midnight

ASHINGTON — Up to 10 mil-

about how to fill out a return. ngs institutions readied for in-

wanting to cut their taxes by an Individual Retirement nt. And Post Office employees by for what has become a ritual: late-night processions s and people with tax returns

for Mr. and Ms. Typical rican, there's more to be done.

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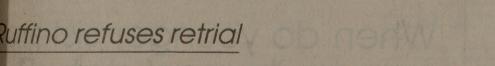
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April 15 that the American people face ... the confounding and the perplexity and complexities, and the

Two leading advocates of tax simplification said this could be alleviated the 10 service centers where returns are filed have put the agency behind schedule in processing returns and

with lower tax rates.

Appearing Sunday on ABC's
"This Week" program, Reps. Jack
Kemp, R-N.Y., and Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., said they were optimistic that a streamlined tax code mistic that a streamlined tax code are said to be carns interest at the rate of 13 percent a year.



Appeals open to Cuadra

nty Court-at-Law Judge Caro-Ruffino's Friday decision not to t Gabriel Cuadra a new trial still es the former Texas A&M cadet ral options for appeal.

uadra's defense attorney, Hank e, said Friday that he had not oken with Cuadra, but that he robably appeal the judge's deci-If Cuadra chooses to do so, the would be appealed to either the of Appeals in Houston or in to. Should that fail, Cuadra ld then seek a new trial from the rt of Criminal Appeals in Aus-

out County Attorney Jim Kubooubts another judge would grant under another trial, he has learned to predict jurys' decisions.

om the evidence we've already and, unless he comes up with an-her point of error, I find it doubtcan never second guess a jury," he said. "Every jury thinks differently and there's no way to know until they actually reach a decision what it's going to be.

Paine requested a new trial last Wednesday claiming jury miscon-duct occurred when Kuboviak twice referred to punishment when the jury was only supposed to determine guilt or innocence. Also, Paine ar-gued that his defense of the former cadet was weakened because a reconstructed exercise list was not in-

cluded in the evidence.

But in her decision, Ruffino stated that the mentioning of punishment did not influence the jury's verdict and that the reconstucted exercise list was not new evidence.

Kuboviak had submitted affidavits from five of the six jurors who stated the including of the exercise list would not have affected their decision. Kuboviak argued that the list was self-serving and immaterial.

"It wasn't legal evidence," Kubo-viak said Sunday. "It never was evi-dence. I supplied the court with numerous cases and the case law is what controls (other decisions). I believe the case law in this decision definitely favored Ruffino's decision in that it rendered exactly what the law is. And Carolyn Ruffino followed

Cuadra, 21, was sentenced to a year's probation and a probated \$500 fine in February after being convicted with tampering with evidence sought by officials investigating the Aug. 30 death of sophomore cadet Bruce Goodrich.

Guadra destroyed the list, pre-pared by two junior cadets, which formed the night he died of heat stroke. Cuadra testified that he destroyed the list to keep it out of the hands of the media.

Paine could not be reached for comment Sunday.



Photo by MELINDA PETO

Modern-day Guillotine

brenda Kessier, a sophomore business major from Elgin, gets ready for the doughnut dash. The competition was part of Derby Day held Saturday at Oaks Park. It's an an-

nual event for sororities that is sponsored by the Sigma Chi fraternity. The Alpha Chi Omega sorority won first, the Chi Omega second and Alpha Delta Pi placed third.

NASA delays space walk decision

Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. NASA officials decided Sunday move the space shuttle Discovery close to a dead satellite, but postponed for a day a decision on whether the astronauts will take a risky, unrehearsed space walk to oring it back to life.

"We are not ruling out an EVA," Mission Control told the stronauts. EVA is shorthand for Extra Vehicular Activity — a

"The plan now is to do a renezvous and a photographic inection and we plan to do that on Tuesday," commander Karol Bobko was told. Mission Contol aid the exercise might even come he following day.

When the Navy communicaions satellite was ejected from the shuttle's cargo bay, its electrical systems failed to turn on, apparently because the lever did not

Officials will continue to evaluate options for tripping the switch, said Mission Control's Bob

"We may elect to come up with a procedure to attach something to the RMS to be used remotely,"

The new plan means the flight vill be extended by at least one

Hlavinkas named 1985-86 parents of the year



Joseph Hlavinka

By CATHIE ANDERSON

Say the word "parent," and peo-ple begin to talk. Everyone has a favorite story or two or three that they just have to tell about mom and dad. Michael, Sarah, Terry and Michelle Hlavinka shared their thoughts about their parents with the Parents' Day committee, nominating them for 1985-86 Aggie Parents of the

And boy, were Joseph and Pat Hlavinka surprised when they re-ceived the Aggie Parents of the Year title Sunday morning at the Parents' Weekend Award Ceremony in Rudder Auditorium. The award recog-

nizes them as "the epitome of Aggie

The Hlavinkas take the title from Jim and Janice Uptmore. Hlavinka, a member of the Class of '56, says he can remember being a freshman when Uptmore was a senior at Texas A&M, and he hopes he and his wife can do as good of a job as Aggie Parents of the Year as the Uptmores did

before them. The Parents' Day committee selects the parents of the year by studying the example parents have set for family and friends through their devotion to their family, their dedication to the community and

their loyalty to A&M. Hlavinka showed some of his loyalty to A&M when the University was in need of equipment for bonfire. Hlavinka, who is a tractor dealer, says he was happy when his son, Terry, told him the equipment was needed because it was a way in which he could aid A&M.

"A&M is everything to us," Hlavinka says.

He and his wife say it will take them a while to come back down to earth. They were overwhelmed with receiving what they called "the high-

est honor a parent can have."
"We're just thankful for some wonderful Aggie kids and the extended family they've been able to offer us," Pat Hlavinka says



questioned Lucas' murder confessions

DALLAS - Law enforcement authorities in some states said Sunday they stood by their acceptance of Henry Lee Lucas' murder confessions because they had additional evidence to implicate the drifter.

But in some cases, officials said the confessions would be re-examined. And in Waco, a district attorney said a grand jury investigating two local killings and the Texas Rangers' handling of Lucas will hear testimony from the self-confessed

serial killer Wednesday. The developments followed a copyright report in Sunday's Dallas Times Herald detailing Lucas' whereabouts during his reported

The newspaper concluded that

portation, would have had to travel thousands of miles in short time periods to carry out the more than 210 murders with which he has been

The newspaper said in its story that Lucas may have made up his criminal confessions and merely played out a hoax to embarrass authorities and stay off death row.

District Attorney Vic Feazell told the Waco Tribune-Herald that the Texas Rangers' handling of the Lucas investigation is being questioned by the grand jury, which began hearing testimony on Thursday on two local killings to which Lucas has con-

The Tribune-Herald said the grand jury heard eight hours of tes-

Henry Lee Lucas told the Dallas Times Herald his confessions were a hoax to show law enforcement doesn't do its job.

timony Thursday from five people, including Dallas Times Herald reporter Hugh Aynesworth, one of the two authors of the newspaper's

In some cases cited by the Times Herald, records showed that on the exact days of some murders, Lucas was in other states

Lucas told the newspaper his con-

forcement doesn't do its job. "I'm going to show 'em," he said in an interview with the newspaper. "They think I'm stupid, but before all this is over, everyone will know

who's really stupid." Lucas also said he has killed only three people: his mother, in 1960, and in 1982, Becky Powell in Denton, Texas, and Kate Rich, in Ring-gold, Texas, the Times Herald reported. He was convicted of all three

"I only got three," Lucas said. "But they're (law enforcement offi-cials) goin' wild every time I tell 'em

about some more The Times Herald said evidence suggests that authorities, particularly the Homicide Task Force headed by Texas Rangers, had in-formation that would have exonerated Lucas from many of the murders but failed to pursue it.

In some cases, by refusing to ac cept documents such as prison and work records, authorities actually amended information to conform to the confessions, which have led to at least 10 murder convictions for Lu

cas, the newspaper said.
Col. Jim Adams, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, he parent agency of the Texas Rangers, said reports that authorities ignored evidence were "ludi-crous" and that Lucas from the beginning has provided both unreliable and reliable information,

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