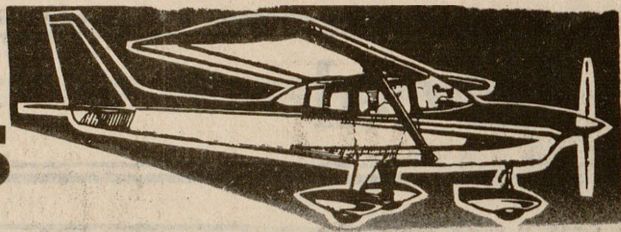


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## 2 researchers discover 'diamond-like' material Substance may help electronics, defense

HOUSTON (AP) — Two University of Houston researchers have discovered a new way to make a "diamond-like" material in films only a few atoms thick that ultimately could be used in electronics and defense.

After several years of work, Wayne Rabalais and research associate Srinandan Kasi have found a way to create small circular patches of the material.

By every possible test, the material being manufactured has the properties of the diamond, but the scientists only claim the material is "diamond-like."

The diamond, prized for its beauty, also is excellent as a heat conductor and electrical insulator. Transistors and miniature electronic circuits built on diamond films do not need large, bulky cooling devices to keep from overheating.

Diamond, a crystalline form of carbon, can be made by squeezing carbon under high pressure and high temperature. But the tiny diamonds made through the process

are not suitable for the thin films needed for electronics and defense.

Rabalais' and Kasi's process starts with a carbon-rich gas. The atoms are then separated with electricity and series of magnets and vacuum pumps remove everything but the carbon.

An electrical charge speeds the carbon atoms to a target where the atoms bond and form diamond crystals, the *Houston Chronicle* reported Monday.

"We first saw this on nickel, then we tried various other metals and then tried gold," Rabalais said. "If we could do it on gold we could do it on anything. And it worked."

The two Houston researchers now want to add other materials to the carbon, a process by which transistors and electronic chips are created.

Transistors are so quickly destroyed by heat that for many uses they must be bolted to massive hunks of heat-absorbing aluminum. Rabalais said diamond-film transis-

tors and other electronic devices should be able to handle higher temperatures. That would allow the devices to be packed closely together, making for faster circuits.

The samples of diamond are only a quarter inch in diameter.

The diamond films also have an anti-reflective coating and are invisible to many kinds of infrared laser beams. Rabalais said it would be an important asset for weapon systems.

In addition, the thin, transparent coatings of diamond could be used in the durability of optical sensing tools and magnetic storage for computers.

"It took 10 years for us to develop the instrumentation," said Kasi, who holds the title of Distinguished University professor of Chemistry. He has been at the University of Houston since 1975.

Kasi, a 22-year-old immigrant from Madras, India, is in his third year of work on a de-

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## Man stands with wife in trial despite murder plot rumors

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A man who federal authorities said was the intended target of a contract put out by his wife is expected to be at her side when sentence is pronounced this week.

Carolyn Sue Huebner's attorney says the contract was put out in a moment of mental confusion and a jail sentence wouldn't be an appropriate punishment.

Mrs. Huebner pleaded guilty in July to a two-count indictment in connection with the murder-for-hire scheme. She could get up to 7 1/2 years in prison when sentenced Wednesday in New Orleans.

During a telephone interview from his New Orleans office, George Simmo III told the *San Antonio Light*, "I see no earthly reason why a jail sentence would be appropriate in this case."

Federal officials claimed Mrs. Huebner, 29, gave a Gretna, La., man a \$500 down payment on a \$10,000 contract to kill her husband, Larry, on May 24 as the couple walked in the French Quarter.

But the purported hit man, who has not been identified, was an FBI informant who told officials of the plot, officials said.

The FBI said the \$500 down payment was made with money withdrawn from an account of Texas Child Search Inc., a non-profit organization based in San Antonio and founded by Mrs. Huebner.

Larry Huebner, meanwhile, said he has forgiven his wife, reaffirmed his love for her and has continued to

live with her in San Antonio while she remains on a \$5,000 personal recognizance bond.

Simmo said he expects Huebner to accompany wife at the sentencing and express his support for the judge allows him to speak before the court.

Huebner, 38, is an executive of a subsidiary of Energy Corp.

Soon after Mrs. Huebner pleaded guilty, Simmo said his client's attempt to have her killed was the result of "some sort of mental confusion."

He said Mrs. Huebner's original target was a San Antonio man who allegedly was abusing her daughter.

He said the man's wife had come to Mrs. Huebner who was working for the Bexar County district attorney's office, and asked for her help. But when County officials refused to pursue the case, Huebner agreed to contact the hit man for the wife.

The woman backed out of the deal, Simmo said. Mrs. Huebner "came to identify her husband with other gentleman and her child with the other child."

Simmo said the stress Mrs. Huebner suffered working with abused children for years had something to do with the mental breakdown that caused her to make the transference.

Once nominated as "Woman of the Year" in San Antonio, Mrs. Huebner had handed in her resignation from the district attorney's office's two weeks before she was arrested by federal agents in New Orleans.

## Musicians, townfolk find fun, good times at roadside laundry

AZLE (AP) — Every Friday night, retired delivery man Don Watson tosses his acoustic guitar on the back seat of his car and heads for the laundry.

Before long, he'll be joined by dozens of mostly middle-aged, working-class musicians toting fiddles and mandolins, not to mention wives, lawn chairs and maybe a grandchild or two. Sometime during the evening, for a half-hour or so, they'll be stars in their own right, belting out country classics at Marshall Holmes' Coin-O-Matic.

For nearly 27 years, hometown musicians and their fans have gathered every week at Holmes' coin-operated laundry, dubbed simply "the washateria" by its regulars.

Some of the players are among the 20 or 30 bands that take turns on a rough wooden stage next to the dry-cleaning machines, while others, too bashful to perform before the microphones, gather out back for impromptu jam sessions in the dusty parking lot.

It's a far cry from the lounges and roadhouses that line the 20-mile stretch of Jacksboro Highway that links Fort Worth and Azle, population 8,000.

Here, there aren't any bouncers or beer brawls or tearful lamentations over cheating sweethearts — except in song.

At the washateria, smoking is banned and the headiest brew available is a cup of scalding coffee from an urn occupying a laundry-folding table. Music is the only reason the people come.

"The players don't want to play honky-tonks and these old people, they don't want to go to bars," Watson's wife, Pat, said, leaning against a Speed Queen and swaying to the strains of "Green, Green Grass of Home."

"They just come out here for the fun of it," she said.

Some have been coming faithfully since 1961, when 60-year-old Holmes, a genial, bear-sized man who serves as a host, master of ceremonies and lead guitarist for the loosely knit house band, first invited a couple of pals over for an after-hours jam session when the washers were shut off for the day.

Holmes, an ex-Marine and Fort Worth native whose work history includes running a filling station, working for an exterminating company and mining uranium ore in Colorado before he landed in the coin-operated laundry business, doesn't make any money from the music business.

His Friday night hoedowns are free and open to all. The weekly tradition has been skipped fewer than half a dozen times — when Friday fell on a Christmas or once in observance of a band member's death.

For those who stop by on a Friday night, Holmes' ground rules are simple: "There's no drinking here, and out of respect for one of our bass players who just has one lung, there's no smoking inside."

"And another thing, we don't allow off-color jokes. This is a place where you can bring your minister, you can bring your kids or bring your grandparents."

By the time darkness fell on a recent Friday, a crowd of at least 300 had gathered, despite the sweltering heat.

Inside, people seated in lawn chairs tapped their feet and clapped along with the music, while others clustered around the shy groups offering informal performances outside.

By midnight, most of the kids and a few of the grown-ups had nodded off; others showed back the chairs inside and two-stepped around the washing machines.

Some were content to sit outside, humming along as a tall, lanky guitarist identified by his hand-tooled guitar strap as "Peewee," sang in a rich tenor voice:

"This old rain is cold and slowly falling Upon my windowpane tonight. And tho' your love is even colder, I wonder where you are tonight."

Janie Kinnard, 57, of White Settlement, who shyly confesses that the steel guitarist playing along is her beau of seven years, said, "I've got to punch in at work by 2 a.m. "But I wouldn't miss coming out here for anything. It may not look like much, but we all have one big time."

## 5 rescued after boat capsizes

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — Five people beat off pilot fish and headed scavengers that accompany sharks, before being rescued from the Gulf of Mexico more than seven hours after their boat capsized and sank.

The four men and one woman who had been on a scuba-diving excursion, wearing life jackets and grabbed wiches, flares and flashlights, were rescued from the 22-foot boat which sank about 6 1/2 miles southwest of Pensacola Pass after being seized by a huge wave, Boberts, a Coast Guard spokesman said.

Currents carried them 14 miles out before the boat Anticipation plucked them from the water at about 11 p.m. CDT, he said.

Bill Robertson of Pensacola, the boat's owner, said in a news Sunday that they were bothered by sharks but were rescued by pilot fish, which suckers atop their heads kept them from being eaten by sharks for a free ride.

"They didn't bite but drove us crazy," Robertson said. "They're not killers but were attaching themselves to our legs."

"We had to beat 'em off," Robertson said, 31, of Dallas; his wife, also 31; Andy Mountz, 33; Terry Evans, 32, both of etta, Ga.

Robertson said the boat started around noon when the boat got turned in the wake of a big wave and capsized.

"When we went down, we grabbed everything we could get our hands on: jackets, Gatorade, Cheetos, sandwiches," Robertson said. "That's what we drank and ate."

He and Mountz tried to shore to summon help from others, but the strong current dragged them farther out to sea.

"What did I learn from this experience?" Robertson asked going to start going to regular."

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