

The Battalion Monday, November 20, 1989

Attorney: Houston cop 'did what he had to do'

What's Up

Monday

HOUSTON (AP) — A city police week during a routine traffic stop "did what he had to do," his attorney

Officer Scott Tschirhart shot Byron Gillum six times after stopping him Wednesday for a traffic viola-tion. Tschirhart has told police that Gillum, a 24-year-old security guard,

reached for a gun. The fatal shooting by a police offi-cer was the second to occur in less than a month. On Oct. 31, Ida Lee Shaw Delaney was killed during a highway shoot-out involving an offduty police officer.

Both shootings have prompted protests in the community and some have called for the establishment of a civilian board to review the police

But attorney Ed Lasof said Saturday that Tschirhart did what he had to when he shot Gillum. The shooting marked the third time that Tschirhart has killed a man in his seven-year career with the Houston Police Department.

HOUSTON (AP) — A city police "I think that when all the facts are officer who fatally shot a man last in he'll be vindicated," Lasof, an attorney with the Houston Police Association, said. "I think he is a good officer. And I think he did what he had to do.

The officer emptied his .38-cali-ber service revolver, striking Gillum four times in the back, once in the arm and once in the abdomen.

'Under the circumstances, I think, he did what he had to do out there," Lasof said. "If somebody has got a weapon, you don't get a lot of time to decide whether it's going to be him or you.'

Police have said that after being shot, Gillum managed to crawl out the passenger window of his car. He ran about 20 feet before he collapsed and died.

Gillum's unfired .357-caliber pistol was recovered in the car.

Lasof suggested Tschirhart saw the gun and did not have time to wait and see if Gillum was going to use it.

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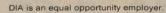
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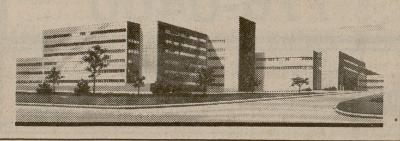
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- Yearbook photo will be taken at 8 p.m
- AGGIES FOR CLAYTON WILLIAMS: will hold a general meeting at 8:30 p.m. in 501 Rudder
- FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES: will have a Christian fellowship at 9 p.m. in the lettermen's lounge in G. Rollie White. For more information call Dusty Gotcher at 696-6687.
- MULTICULTURAL SERVICE CENTER: Rudy Rodriguez, former student who presently attends Harvard Law School, will speak on Harvard Law School from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in 145 MSC.
- ECONOMICS SOCIETY: will meet at 6:30 p.m. at Cafe Eccel.
- TAMU FLYING CLUB: will have its monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. at TAMU Flying Clubhouse
- GAY & LESBIAN STUDENT SERVICES: will have a presentation on biological evidence for homosexuality at 8:30 p.m. in 305 A&B Rudder. For more information 847-0321.
- TAMU SURF CLUB: will show "Atlantic Crossing" at 8:30 p.m. in 701 Rudder.
- TRIATHLON CLUB: will discuss current direction of Tri Fed/USA at 2 p.m. at the Flying Tomato.
- RUSSIAN CLUB: will have a bake sale from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the rotunda of the Academic Building.
- A&M CYCLING TEAM: will take team picture for the yearbook at 3:30 p.m. at Rudder Fountain. Wear your jersey if you have one.
- DUNN HALL STAFF: presents "The Beer, The Bod, & The Porcelain God," a program on the effects of alcohol on an R.A.'s body at 8 p.m. in the Commons Lobby (Dunn side).
- NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS STEP STUDY: will have a general discussion at 8:30 p.m. Call the C.D.P.E. at 845-0280 for more information.
- ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: will have a general discussion at noon. Call the C.D.P.E. at 845-0280 for more information

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In Advance

Morning News science editor to speak today

Tom Siegfried, Science Editor of the Dallas Morning News, will speak on "The Quirks and Quarks of Science Journalism" today at 3:30 p.m. in 301 Rudder.

Siegfried will discuss the superconducting super collider project

in Texas, subatomic physics and

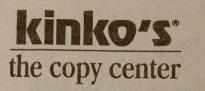
in Texas, subatomic physics and public policy. Siegfried's lecture is part of the Science & Technology Journa-lism Lecture Series, sponsored by the Department of Journalism. For more information call Janet Frye 845-4611.



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