

# Officer videos his own murder

GARRISON (AP) — East Texas authorities arrested a 24-year-old Edinburg man Wednesday in connection with the slaying of a Nacogdoches County constable whose murder was videotaped by a camera on his patrol car.

Department of Public Safety spokesman David Wells said authorities charged Reynaldo Sambrano Villarreal with capital murder late Wednesday after he was picked up walking near Farm to Market Road 138 in Shelby County by a DPS rooper.

Nacogdoches County Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Billy Gresham denied bail for Villarreal.

Nearly 100 law enforcement officers continued to comb the heavily wooded area of Nacogdoches County late Wednesday for two other men believed to be accomplices in the murder.

Constable Darrell Lunsford, 47, of Garrison, was killed about 1:30 a.m. during a traffic stop along U.S. Highway 59, which runs through the town in northeastern Nacogdoches County.

Three men, described as Hispanics, were captured on videotape beating, kicking and stabbing the officer, Wells said.

A vehicle with Maine license plates was found abandoned shortly after the attack, and the trio was believed to be on foot, Wells said.

Stephen McCausland, spokesman for the Maine Public Safety Department, said the car is registered to Jose G. Galvan, 22, of North Turner, Maine. McCausland said Galvan moved to Texas in November.

Two state police detectives have been assigned to the case, McCausland said.

Roadblocks were up and authorities were being assisted by helicopters from the DPS and from the U.S. Customs Service and by tracking dogs from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

"The car was abandoned about three-quarters of a mile from the homicide scene, still in the town," Wells said. "Officers believe they are on foot and believe they took his handgun, a .357 Magnum and possibly a badge, credit cards and cash."

"The tape was running when Darrell got out of the car," said Nacogdoches County Sheriff Joe Evans. "We think the suspects could be identified from the tape."

# Space shuttle flight will continue despite action in Middle East

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — The commander of the next space shuttle flight, a military mission that NASA is readying amid tightened security, said Wednesday neither he nor his crew is worried about flying in wartime.

Discovery is scheduled to lift off on the year's first shuttle voyage as early as Feb. 26.

"I don't think we have any extra apprehension," astronaut Michael Coats said. "I think the apprehension the crew feels is for the men and women who are fighting in the Gulf right now. They've got a much more serious job to do than we've got right here."

Because of the threat of possible terrorist activity, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration has increased security at Johnson Space Center and Florida's Kennedy Space Center. Guards at entrances are checking passes more carefully, and access to certain areas is more limited than before war erupted in the Persian Gulf last week.

"Beyond that, suffice it to say that appropriate measures are being taken," NASA spokesman Jeffrey Carr said.

Discovery will carry no special camera lenses to survey the Middle East, Coats said. The astronauts will take pictures of the area just as they would on any other flight at any other time, he said.

"We're going to try to see what we can see up there," Coats said. "But I

can tell you based on my experience we're not going to be able to see a whole lot from orbit ... we will be looking for things like smoke plumes from burning refineries and ships in the Gulf, that sort of thing."

Coats, a Navy captain, said he and his six-man crew considered canceling Wednesday's meeting with the press because of the war.

"What's going on over there is very important and very serious business," he said. "I'm not sure this is as important or as serious."

The astronauts decided to proceed with the preflight briefing because "the payload we were carrying probably had a lot of applicability, if you will, to potential future conflicts much like this," Coats said.

Discovery's cargo includes a Strategic Defense Initiative spacecraft that will monitor chemicals and gases released in space as well as shuttle rocket plumes, something never observed before by scientific instruments in space. Such information will help the Defense Department build better sensors for detecting missiles aimed at the United States or its allies, said Lt. Col. Pat Talty, assistant deputy for technology for SDI.

Discovery also will carry an Air Force experiment to gather information on Earth's atmosphere, celestial sources and the environment in and around the shuttle's cargo bay.

It also will be the first unclassified military flight of a shuttle.

## What's Up

### Thursday

**MSC JORDAN INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL AWARENESS:** informational meeting about German exchange program. All welcome at 7 p.m. in 404 Rudder. Call 845-8770 for more information.

**OFFICE OF UNIVERSITY ART COLLECTIONS & EXHIBITIONS:** exhibition: Catching the Eye: Form, Color, Motion at 8 p.m. in Rudder Exhibit Hall. Guest lecturer Joseph Hutchinson of the College of Architecture. Call Catherine at 845-8501 for more information.

**TAMU BOWLING CLUB:** general meeting in 404 Rudder. Call Russell at 696-3975 for more information.

**BUCK WEIRUS SPIRIT AWARD:** applications will be available in Student Activities, MSC, V.P. for Student Services and Association of Former Students. Deadline for application is Feb. 15.

**TAMU SURF CLUB:** first meeting of semester, information for first party in 510 Rudder. Call Brad at 693-4582 for more information.

**PHI BETA LAMBDA:** happy hour and comedy night at 6 p.m. at the Sundance Club in the Hilton. Call Brett at 823-6614 for more information.

**MSC JORDAN INSTITUTE:** Model United Nations introductory meeting at 7:30 p.m. in 204 HECC. Call Mike at 845-8770 for more information.

**NATIONAL SOCIETY OF BLACK ENGINEERS:** general meeting at 7 p.m. in 203 Zachry.

**FIELD HOCKEY CLUB:** general meeting and optional practice at 5 p.m. at the Drill Field. Call Erica at 847-0247 for more information.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION:** general assembly at 7 p.m. in 209 HECC. Slides shows of India and Spain will be featured. Everybody is welcome! We will give details of the ISA's trip to Cancun during Spring Break. Call Gaby at 845-1825 for more information.

**CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST:** Life Line weekly meeting at 7:30 p.m. in 108 HECC.

**A&M CYCLING TEAM:** discuss jerseys, race schedule and training at 7 to 8:15 p.m. in 301 Rudder. Call Stephen at 846-8307 for more information.

**PUERTO RICAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION:** welcome back! first meeting to talk about international week and party at 8:30 p.m. in 402 Rudder. Call Lisa at 693-3722 for more information.

**ASSOCIATION OF BAPTIST STUDENTS:** weekly meeting at Beacon Baptist Church, 2001 Villa Maria Road. Call Steve at 693-8311 for more information.

**ASIAN-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION:** first general meeting at 7 p.m. in 401 Rudder. Call Peppe at 693-0317 for more information.

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT:** Student Government Awareness Week. Call Gayle or Tiffany at 845-3051 for more information.

**MEXICAN AMERICAN ENGINEERS AND SCIENTISTS SOCIETY:** first meeting of the year at 7 p.m. in 102 Zachry.

**TEXAS A&M EMERGENCY CARE TEAM:** meeting for all members at 7 p.m. in 701 Rudder. Call 845-4321 for more information.

**FOURTH DAY:** meeting for all who have made any Aggie Awakening at 6:15 p.m. in St. Mary's Student Center. Call 846-5717 for more information.

**DPMA:** ARCO Alaska, Inc. in the Former Students Center. Call 845-1616 for more information.

**MSC POLITICAL FORUM:** first informational meeting at 7 p.m. in 301 Rudder.

**MEXICAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION:** general meeting at 7 p.m. in 163 Blocker.

**PEOPLE FOR PEACE:** discussion of war and opposition to war at 6 p.m. in the Academic Building. Call Brendan at 846-8011 for more information.

**TEXAS AGGIE FLY FISHING ASSOCIATION:** general meeting from 8:30 to 10:00 p.m. in Rudder room 401 to discuss upcoming events, all are welcome.

### Friday

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION:** Gourmet Club - hosted by the Malaysians at 7 p.m. at the A&M Methodist Church Student Center, off University Drive, entrance through Lodge Street. To participate you have to cook a dish, recipes are at the basement of Bizzell Hall. Call N. Ran Jan at 846-2717 for more information.

**COLOMBIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION:** general meeting at 7 p.m. in 200 Kleberg. Call Juan at 775-0645 for more information.

**BAPTIST STUDENT UNION:** fellowship for all international students at 7 p.m. in the Baptist Student Union, 203 College Main, behind Loupot's. Call 846-7722 for more information.

**UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRIES:** weekly Bible study at 6 p.m. in the A&M Presbyterian Church office. This week's topic is "Philippians." Call Stacy at 847-5300 for more information.

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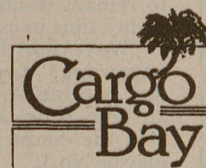
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