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# Voters initiate recall election

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — Three city commissioners known as the "Three Amigos" are the target of a recall drive by Brownsville voters.

The commissioners, Butch Barbosa, a deputy clerk of the U.S. District Court; William Garza, an accountant; and Pete Benavides, who owns a driving school, make up a majority vote on the five-member council.

The recall movement was ignited by the privatization of the city's sanitation department and an unsuccessful effort by the three commissioners to build a new convention center without voter approval.

"This is a grassroots movement, the muscle is there to get them out, and we will do it eventually," said Pat Ahumada, a businessman who organized the recall drive.

The Brownsville city charter allows a recall election if one-fourth of the registered voters request it. Ahumada said he has 4,000 of the 10,000 signatures he needs to force the election.

The recall drive is the second under way on the Texas-Mexico border. In Donna, efforts are afoot to recall Mayor Hector Casiano.

Barbosa and Benavides were elected in November 1989 and formed an alliance with Garza, who was elected in 1987. Early last year, the three officials quickly moved to revise city programs and fire managers put in place by the previous commission.

"I don't think the city of Brownsville is better off than it was in November 1989 since the new commissioners came on

board," Mayor Ygnacio Garza said. "I think a lot of things they have done have been detrimental to the city of Brownsville," he told the Houston Chronicle.

Mayor Garza and Commissioner Tony Zavalata have frequently found themselves on the losing end of a 3-2 vote, including one on the dismissal of the Brownsville city manager after the November election.

The "Three Amigos" say the drive is an act of revenge by politicians they defeated.

Barbosa charged the recall election was being orchestrated by former city commissioners Robert Lackner and Harry McNair, who were defeated by William Garza and Benavides.



## Rec Sports Highlights

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### This Weeks' Game Plan

**Monday, March 18**

- Entries for the Penberthy Softball Tournament open today at 8:00 a.m. in the Recreational Sports Office.

**Tuesday, March 19**

- Registration closes for 16" Softball Tournament, Superstars and Tennis Doubles.

**Wednesday, March 20**

- Captains' Meeting tonight for Outdoor Volleyball Triples at 6:00 p.m. in 164 Read Building.
- Residence Hall Reps Meeting tonight at 6:00 p.m. in 164 Read.

**Thursday, March 21**

- Captains' Meeting for 16" Softball Tournament tonight at 6:00 in 164 Read.

**Friday, March 22**

- Tennis Doubles brackets posted at 1:00 p.m.

**Saturday, March 23**

- Superstars Participant Meeting at 10:00 a.m. in 164 Read.

## Next Week...

The following events are **OPENING on Monday, March 25!**

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| Archery Doubles<br>Free! | Putt Putt Golf<br>Free!     |
| Golf Singles<br>Fee: TBA | Pickleball Doubles<br>Free! |
|                          | Fun Run<br>Free!            |



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Registration for the Penberthy Softball Tournament opens today and continues until April 16. Stop in at 159 Read Building to sign up. For more information, call the Recreational Sports Department at 845-7826.

## TAMU Handball Team

Coach Lance Lowy's Texas A&M Handball Team recently competed in the National Collegiate Handball Tournament in Cincinnati, Ohio. The women's team won their fourth consecutive National Championship. The women's team consisted of All-Americans Sharon Baylor, Betsy Boswell and Audrea Stork, as well as Tammy Reyes, Leigh Ann Williams, Katie Hutcheson and Laura Gross. In the final standing, the men's team finished second, which was the best finish by a Texas A&M men's team. The men's team consisted of Sal Santa Ana, Aaron Cooper, Brian Carr, Vern Hegwood, Chris Uren, Ricky Cole, Shane Rothenberer, John Tomme, Vince Hegwood, Kevin Hobbs, Mark Rhodes, Steve Naftanel and Mike Scheffler. This superb performance by both teams earned Texas A&M their third consecutive Combined Men and Women's National Championship.

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## TAMU Outdoors



To sign up for any of the TAMU Outdoor adventures, stop in at the Recreational Sports Office in 159 Read Building. If you have any questions concerning the TAMU Outdoors program, feel free to call Patsy at 845-7826.

**Rock Climbing:** Experienced guides will teach a variety of climbing techniques and safety systems. Spend the weekend testing your new skills! The \$42 (\$48 non A&M) fee for this adventure includes transportation, rental of group camping equipment, climbing equipment, camping permits and experienced instruction. The trip is offered to beginning and intermediate climbers and is limited to 10 participants.

Registration begins today. Sign up in the Recreational Sports Office, 159 Read Building.

**Kayaking Workshop:** Take the weekend off and learn the fundamentals of kayaking in a two day class offered by TAMU Outdoors. The class will be taught by American Canoe Association certified instructors. The first day includes an introduction to kayak strokes, rescue and the eskimo roll. The second day will be spent on the San Marcos River learning how to paddle the boat and get a feel for whitewater. The \$60 (\$65 for non A&M) fee for this workshop includes transportation, camping equipment, kayak equipment, camping permits and experienced instruction. Sign up early because class size is limited. Registration begins on March 25 and continues to April 8. Register in the Recreational Sports Office, 159 Read Building.

## Please Note:

- Basketball playoffs will be now posted. Play will begin on Wednesday, March 20.
- Soccer playoffs are now posted.
- Due to rain and rescheduling, Softball playoffs will not be posted until the week of March 25.
- Innertube Water Polo entries have been extended to Tuesday, March 19. Stop in at 159 Read Building to sign up.
- Due to scheduling conflicts, Innertube Water Polo will not begin until March 25. The captain's meeting will be held on Thursday, March 21 at 5:00 p.m. in 164 Read Building.
- The Swim Meet has been postponed until further notice due to facility problems. Contact the Recreational Sports Office at 845-7826 or stop in at 159 Read Building for more information. See the McDonald's Rec Sports Highlights for continuing information on the Swim Meet.

### Photographs Available

You can order any photograph on file at the Rec Sports Office in 159 Read Building. The cost for a 5 x 7 is \$2.00 and an 8 x 10 is \$3.00.