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AUBURN HILLS, Mich. -

Detroit hired Hall of Famer

Larry Brown to make a good

Pistons' coach Monday, two

days after Rick Carlisle was fired

and one year after Carlisle was

team that has a talented, young

nucleus and holds the No. 2 pick

in the league to me," said Joe

Dumars, team president of bas-

76ers coach on May 26 after six

seasons, will be paid \$25 mil-

lion over five years, according

to a source within the NBA

contractual clause that prohibit-

ed him from coaching another

NBA team if he left

from afar," Brown said Monday.

time we step out on the court,

we'll represent this franchise the

way it's supposed to be repre-

sented," he said. "You won't be

"This is a team I admired

"I promise you this: Every

Philadelphia prematurely.

Brown was released from a

Brown, who resigned as

in the June 26 draft.

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embarrassed by the effort."

Not Brian Griese or anybody else from outside the organization.

said. "Right now, we'll go with who we've got." Griese became available Monday when he was cut by Denver after four seasons as the starter there.

The Broncos signed free agent Jake Plummer to a seven-year deal in March. the Cowboys' coach in January that he might look for a veteran quarterback, much like he did when he

logical choice. Griese's agent, Ralph Cindrich, has said the quarterback could end up in Dallas or in Miami, where his father, Hall of Famer Bob Griese, played there.

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Larry Brown named new

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Dumars first contacted

Brown's agent Joe Glass on

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Brown had two years left in

"We want to be successful

Brown also coached Denver

his contract that paid him \$6 mil-

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Friday night, and the deal was done by Saturday around 6 p.m. Carlisle was fired Saturday after leading Detroit to the Eastern Conference finals for who was fired Saturday.

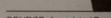
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▶ 2002-03 - Led the million left on his contract despite winning two straight division titles and 100 regularrecord during his six year He said Monday that he plans to pursue coaching jobs this week

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about that," Carlisle said, less than an hour before Brown was Hall of Fame with the class of 2002, 2001 NBA Coach of the Year, 2001 NBA finals and will coach the U.S. men's national Olympic



lege. Brown won an NCAA championship with Kansas in 1988, and became the first coach to take six NBA teams to the playoffs when the Sixers made it

# Parcells: Cowboys have their QBs

By Steven Hawkins THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IRVING, Texas — Bill Parcells won't say he's comfortable with the Dallas Cowboys' quarterback situation, but the coach insisted Monday that Chad Hutchinson or Quincy Carter will be the starter this fall.

"We are going to go the way we are. If there was somebody we were interested in, I'd tell you," Parcells

There has been speculation since Parcells became acquired Vinny Testaverde while with the New York Jets. Griese, a past Pro Bowler, seemed the

"I'm not going to be involved with Brian Griese," Parcells said.

Owner Jerry Jones said there were several reason the Cowboys weren't really interested in Griese. "We've got repetition considerations. If we add

as far as getting the guys ready that we have," Jone said Monday. "That also implies that the guys we're got here might not be what we want, and that'sm "I have to be equitable with these guys and

you can just say this guy is a starter. We are going let them fight it out at camp, and figure it out as som as possible. Hutchinson started the final nine games last see son. As a 25-year-old rookie, who hadn't played football in four years while pursing a career as a professional baseball pitcher, he completed 127 of 25

touchdowns and eight interceptions. "The approach I've taken from day one is no matter who they bring in or what the situation is forme Texas' Repub I've got to handle my business the best I can. Hutchinson said. "This year, I feel a lot more comfortable, a lot more confident.

## Fate of Astrodome up for debate in Houston

By Mark Babineck THE ASSOCIATED PRESS HOUSTON Astrodome's landlords put out the

call Monday for anyone with

ideas — and the means to implement them — of how save the 'Eighth Wonder of the World." The request for proposals, or RFP, includes a June 16 tour of the world's first indoor stadium, which has become a 38-year-old antique that hosts occasional high school football or baseball games or motocross and costs Harris County taxpayers about \$1.5 million a year to keep

cooled, lit and maintained. Minute Maid Park downtown took the stadium's primary tenant, baseball's Houston Astros, in 2000. In recent years the University of Houston returned to its on-campus stadium and new Reliant Stadium next door now hosts the NFL Houston Texans, the annual Houston rodeo and most other stadium-sized events once slated for the Astrodome.

past and future will work together," said Mike Surface, chairman of the Harris County Sports & Convention Corp., which oversees the countyowned Reliant Park complex that includes the Astrodome. Though the request is open to ideas for the stadium's redevelopment, Surface said there are

limits. Bidders must demon-

strate economic and structural

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rights of the Texans or the rode or duplicate other venues a Reliant Park, such as the Reliant

Center convention facility.

Surface said he believes

multi-use plan, such as a hote

built inside the stadium along wit

small "Branson, Missouri-type concert halls and a horse arena replace aging Reliant Arena, possible. He expects any proje to cost between \$100 million and \$500 million. The deadline for proposals Aug. 8, but Houston-based restail rant magnate and develope

was all ears. "We're going to look at the RFP, (but) we don't know what they're asking for and what the economics are," said Fertitta chairman and chief executive of Landry's Restaurants Inc 'We're very creative, so you

Tilman Fertitta said Monday

never know. Fertitta, who like Surface is native of the area, said it's impor tant to try to keep Houston's mos well-known landmark intact.

"Our hope is this process "But if it doesn't work, will find a solution where the doesn't work," Fertitta said potential proposals. "You can' let it sit there and take a couple of million dollars a year to keep it standing there.' Fertitta has experience in sim

> ilar projects. He transformed wharf in nearby Kemah into restaurant-based tourism hub turned an old downtown Houston firehouse into a new aquarium and is converting an abandoned downtown building into a luxury hotel across from Minute Maid Park.

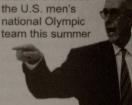
## Brown's in

Larry Brown has been selected as the Detroit Pistons' new head coach for a \$25 million, five-year deal. He replaced Rick Carlisle

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