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GET THE BALL ROLLING — Mrs. Marvin Levin, left, and Mrs. Donald Long, members of Lawyers' Wives of Antelope Valley, discuss decorations for the annual Barristers Ball on Jan.

26. The ball, themed Mahole, will be held in Antelope Valley Country Club. Mrs. Michael Epson is general chairman and Mrs. Levin, who may be reached at WH 2-8300, is handling reservations.

Engineer cites groundwater depletion

Delay in using water from the State Water Project is speeding up depletion of the Antelope Valley groundwater supply, an engineer warns.

David Hardan of Boyle Engineering says local community water suppliers are having to drill new wells that are worsening the already dangerous groundwater "overdraft."

Hardan told officials of Antelope Valley - East Kern Water Agency these expensive new wells and related facili-

ties wouldn't have been needed if the Agency system to deliver State Project water had been built as scheduled and in operation today.

Hardan is technical consultant to the Water Agency. He is now talking with the people who operate community water systems in the Agency to find out how their needs for State Project water might have changed since they signed contracts three years ago to buy State Project water through a distribution network

to be built by the Agency.

"As much as \$½ million may have been spent to develop new domestic water wells in recent months because we don't have the pipelines to get State Project water from the aqueduct to where people can use it," Hardan revealed. "This represents needless capital expenditures that taxpayers and water users have to pay for and causes further damage to our groundwater basin that could have been avoided."

Robert Rendall of Edwards AFB Academy grad

EDWARDS AFB — Master Sergeant Robert F Rendall, Air Traffic Control Tower Assistant Chief Controller with the 1925th Communications Squadron (AFCS), was among 72 noncommissioned officers who graduated on Nov. 2, 1973 from the Air Force Communications Service NCO Academy at Richards-Gebaur AFB, Missouri.

In preparation for more advanced Air Force management and leadership responsibilities, Sergeant Rendall completed courses in World Affairs, Communication Skills, Management and

Supervision, Human Relations, Air Force History, Military Training and Military Law.

Air Force Communications Service (AFCS) provides worldwide communications -

Gunpowder was first automobile propellant

In effect, the first propellant of the automobile age was gunpowder. Known as black powder, it was used in 1864 to open the country's first deep oil well at Titusville, Pennsylvania.

electronics - meteorological facilities and service for most Air Force commands and other selected government and civilian agencies. The approximately 53,000 personnel engineer, install, operate and maintain communications equipment in nearly 600 different locations globally.

Master Sergeant Rendall, his wife Judith, a son Robert Jr., and daughter Rhonda, have resided at Edwards AFB since January 1973. Prior to coming to Edwards, Sergeant Rendall and family were stationed at Hahn AB, Germany.

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