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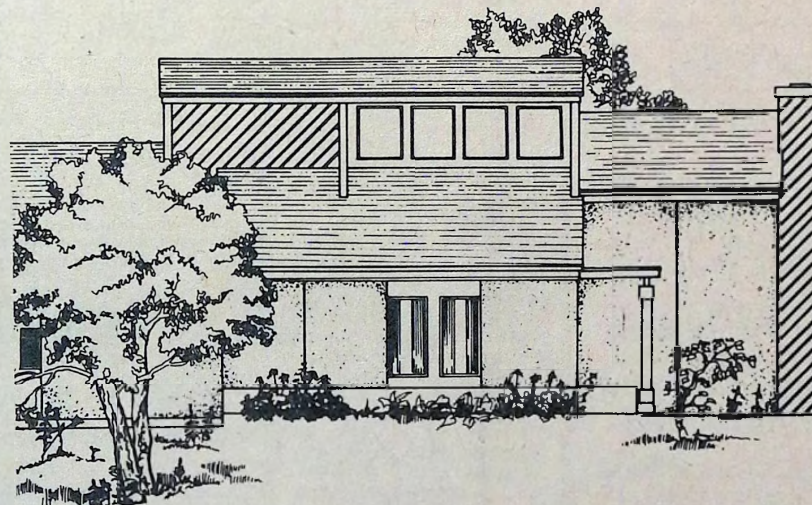
Lydia Algueseva was welcomed home with a small family party this week at Floore Country Store by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Algueseva. Lydia spent three weeks in California visiting relatives and friends and seeing the entertainment and tourist spots. She was houseguest of her cousin, Joe Pedroza, and his family in San Francisco and spent time visiting in Los Angeles. She went to Palomino Night Club there, comparing notes with the family-owned dance spot, famed Floore Country Store. Some ideas should be coming forth. Californians love the General Store here, and William Devane of the locally made "Rolling Thunder" marquee named Floore's the best place in the world. John T.—whose birthday anniversary was this month, would have agreed.

Recent visitors to the ECHO were nieces and nephews of the late Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Marnoch, who resided here, when the landmark building served as the center of Helotes, as the post office as well as Doctor's office; and they remembered it as it was in their childhood. They were accompanied by a great niece, Lisa Elizabeth G. Moore, who is studying law at the Oklahoma University and resides in Oklahoma City. With her were her aunt from Yukon, Oklahoma, Mrs. Irene Santin, and Mrs. Tillie Leal and Mrs. M.M. (Merdie) Guerra of San Antonio, as well as Rudy Martinez of Oak Grove Street here. Their mother was sister of Mrs. Marnoch and they lived nearby as children. Dr. Marnoch once saved their Mother's life when she was bitten by a rattler.

Lion Mike O'Hara this week received his 20-year award at the supper served at El Chaparral. Immediate past-President Ollie Whetstone was also honored.

The party for all the workers in the 1977 Cornyal will be held Saturday night, Aug. 20, at the home of the president of the festival association, Jim Wilson, on Scenic Loop, beginning at 5 p.m. Everybody is invited to bring a covered dish. The association will furnish the barbecue and liquid refreshments.

SAN ANTONIO RANCH TO OPEN AUGUST 27



Two of the 14 new homes at San Antonio Ranch to be shown Aug. 27-Sept. 5 are the solar-powered home at top, built by Carlos Madrid and Associates, and the early-Texas ranch-style home in the lower drawing, built by Ron Macon Homes. The 1977 Parade of Homes will be open on weekends from noon to 10 p.m. and weekdays from 5:30 to 10 p.m. Admission will be \$1.50, children under 12 free. San Antonio Ranch is one mile west of Helotes on Highway 16.

Model Homes To Be Shown In '77 Parade

After ten years of planning, legal battles with environmental groups, developing and construction, San Antonio Ranch New Community will show its first homes on Saturday, Aug. 27.

That will be the starting date of the 1977 Parade of Homes. Sponsored annually by the Greater San Antonio Builders Association, the parade this year will feature the first homes in San Antonio Ranch.

There will be 14 homes — three of them solar-powered. They are clustered around the top of the first hill in San Antonio Ranch and occupy only a tiny part of the total projected development of 8,400 acres in the new community.

The showing of the homes will continue through Labor Day. The homes will be open on weekends and Labor Day from 12:30 noon to 10 p.m. and on weekdays from 5:30 to 10 p.m. Admission will be \$1.50, children under 12 free.

All 14 of the houses will be (continued on page 5)

D. J. Toepperwein Dies At 16

Dwight Jay Toepperwein, 16-year-old John Marshall student killed in the explosion of a homemade bomb on Aug. 9, was buried in Zion Lutheran Cemetery on Aug. 12. Dwight was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Toepperwein of Route 17, Box 158.

He is survived by his parents: two brothers, Douglas and Dennis; a grandfather, Rudolph Toepperwein of Boerne; and a grandmother, Mrs. Tillie Belzung of San Antonio.

The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Paul Probst.

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends on Dwight's tragic and untimely death.

Grey Forest To Enforce Speed Limits

A city ordinance passed at the Tuesday, August 16 meeting of the Grey Forest City Council has set speed limits for the Scenic Loop Road—except during school crossing hours—at 30 miles per hour. All roads and streets in Grey Forest except for Scenic Loop Road will have a speed limit of 20 miles for all hours, which will be strictly enforced, according to Mayor Edwin L. Faust.

Standard street signs—recently erected—are also covered by the ordinance. Destruction or defacing of signs will result in proper action by authorities under this ordinance, he said.

Signs have been erected by the city under the direction of council members with the cooperation of the utilities personnel.

An incident of defacing was reported this week.

Scenic Loop Road is also maintained—outside the city of Grey Forest—as a Bexar County road. It is one of the most historic and picturesque in the area, following the Helotes Creek as it wanders through passes, discovered by Indians centuries ago.

Shrine Circus Set

In conjunction with the 34th Annual Shrine Circus, Sept. 20-25 at Joe Freeman Coliseum, circus officials will select a king and queen from over 50,000 children in grades one through 5 in Bexar County. The lucky winners will lead the grand parade that will officially open the circus.

UTSA Gets \$49,900 Grant

The National Science Foundation has awarded UTSA \$49,900 to write a competitive proposal for a minority center for graduate education in science and engineering to serve San Antonio and South Texas.

According to Dr. Manuel P. Berriozabal, UTSA professor of mathematics and project director, the proposal will be a cooperative effort among junior and senior colleges in these areas.

Participating institutions include Incarnate Word College, Laredo Junior College, Our Lady of the Lake University, Pan

American University, San Antonio College, St. Philip's College, St. Mary's University, Texas A & I University at Corpus Christi, Texas A & I University at Kingsville, Texas A & I University at Laredo, Trinity University and UTSA. Several other colleges and universities are also expected to join.

Dr. Berriozabal said that long-range objectives of the center are increasing minority holders of doctorates in science, role models for young minority students and scholarly productivity among minority scientists.

Clean Water By 1983 Studied

Want to know more about clean fishable, swimmable waters?

Planning is underway to assure that area streams in Bexar and parts of Wilson, Comal and Guadalupe counties, are fishable and swimmable by 1983.

Persons interested in the program can find information on the subject at all branches of the San Antonio Public Library System. Also, college libraries in this area have all been supplied with water quality information. San Antonio River Authority, Cibolo Creek Municipal Authority, and the City of San Antonio also have the information.

Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG), will serve as the central depository for literature. Their offices, located in the Three Americas Building at the corner of Broadway and E. Travis, are open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The information supplied all stems from federal laws which require waste treatment management to assure streams meet the 1983 goal of fishable and swimmable. Planners are looking at area problems and what needs to be done so that compliance is achieved.

Questions can be answered by calling 208 Planning at 225-5201.

Summer Water Levels Remain High

Continuing dry, hot weather resulted in a minor decline in the water levels in the Edwards Aquifer, the Edwards Underground Water District has reported.

Even so, thanks to abundant rains earlier in the year, water levels at wells remain much higher than average and springflow is far above average.

End-of-July measurements showed the following drops for wells:

Uvalde, down 0.9 of a foot at 882.7, compared to record high of 886.3 and all-time low of 811.0.

Sabinal, down 5.3 at 819.0 (835.4 and 664.0 as previous extremes).

Castroville, down 6.1 at 720.4 (737.8 and 622.3).

Hondo, down 5.9 at 756.7 (773.8 and 662.3).

San Antonio, down 5.9 at 680.0 (696.5 and 612.5).

New Braunfels, down 0.7 of a foot at 628.3 (629.9 and 613.3).

Kyle, down 13.8 at 571.7 (593.8 and 542.2).

Leona River Springs near Uvalde had a decline of 1.5 cubic feet per second in springflow at 52.3 (Average springflow is 13.5).

At 385 cubic feet per second, the springflow at Comal Springs in New Braunfels was down 11 cfs. but 100 cfs. above the 285 average.

San Marcos Springs at 240 cfs. reflected a decline of 33 cfs. Average springflow at this site is 166.

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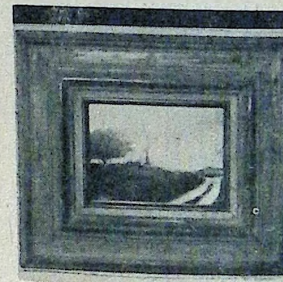
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Mrs. Annie Benham was home from the hospital in time to celebrate her 88th birthday on Aug. 8. Numerous friends dropped in during an all-afternoon open house. Present to help her entertain also were her sisters, Mrs. Lela Wood from Dilley, and Mrs. Jewitt Morris of Kerrville.

Walter Schuh on Leslie Road shot and killed a 3½ foot rattlesnake in his back yard last week—but not before the snake had bitten his Chihuahua, Skeeter, and caused the dog to die. The snake had 11 rattles and a button. Two Weimaraners penned nearby escaped injury. The barking dogs warned of the rattler's presence.



Among the 30 Blue J's receiving awards for 100 hours of Volunteer service to Methodist Hospital:

Front row (L to R): Cindy Rokahr, Susan Linder, Linda Vera.

Middle (L to R): Celeste Dittrich, Cindy Powell.

Back row (L to R): Cindy Rather, Linda Daugherty, Patricia McCarter, Cindy Moore, Dehl Ewer, Mona Ratliff, Leo Fuentes, Howard Winters.

Volunteers To Receive Awards

Over 4,500 hours of Volunteer service have been given to the patients at Methodist Hospital this summer by the Blue J's. In recognition of this service, awards will be presented to numerous members on Tuesday, August 23, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mark's Methodist Church. Awards for over 500 hours of service will be presented to Mary Awards for 300 hours have been

Jane Ramirez and Jeff Bryson. earned by Nick DePanfilis, Jennifer Eidelbach, Mary Gase, and Lynn Popp. Two hundred hour awards will be given to Karen Born, Polly Bull, Lisa Davilla, Kathy Kratz, and Elizabeth Ramirez. Also, 30 Blue J's will receive patches and pins for serving 100 hours, and 16 others will be awarded Blue J patches for their first 50 hours.

Blue J officers for 1977-78 include Mary Jane Ramirez, President; Lynn Popp, first Vice-President; Mary Gase, Second Vice-President; Cindy Sheldon, Secretary; and Nick DePanfilis, Treasurer.

Ten Blue J's, including the officers, recently attended the statewide Junior Volunteer Convention in Amarillo. They participated in workshops and group discussions relating to hospital service and modern trends in patient care. Information obtained will be helpful to the Junior Volunteers in the duties they perform during the summer months, weekends and school holidays. Services provided by the Blue J's are similar to those of the Senior Auxiliaries, the Blue Birds, who have sponsored the Junior organization since it was chartered in 1965.

Besides providing helpful service to the patients and staff of Methodist Hospital, the Blue J's receive personal satisfaction for their efforts, and gain valuable experience by working in the health field.

The Scenic Loop Playgrounds Club will have an important meeting Sunday evening, Aug. 21, in which the future of the club may be decided. There will be no covered dish supper for this meeting.

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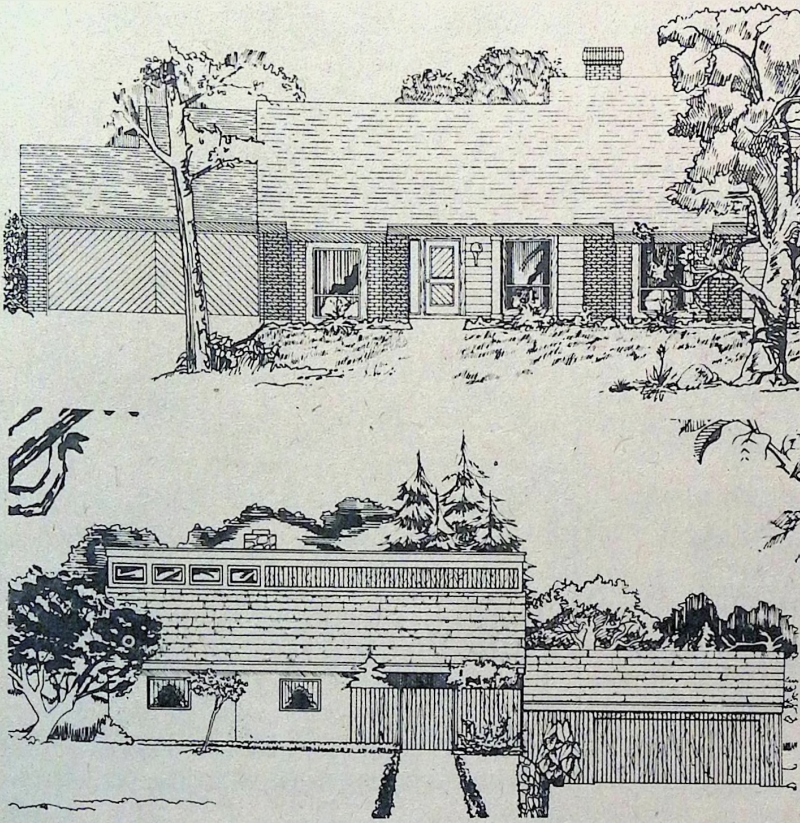
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Two More Solar Homes At San Antonio Ranch



Two other solar-powered homes in the San Antonio Ranch Parade of Homes to open Saturday, Aug. 27, are the Natural Homes entry shown in the top sketch and the Speed Fab-Crete of San Antonio home in the lower sketch. They are two of the 14 homes to be shown at the new community near Helotes through Labor Day. All the homes will be shown furnished. The 14 homes are the first to be opened in the new project on the former Lytle Ranch.

Incarnate Word To Register

Time permits are currently being issued by the Incarnate Word College Registrar's Office for the fall semester registration period. Registration will take place in Marian Hall on August 29

from 8:30 to 11 a.m., 1:15 to 4:30 p.m., and 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. Also, on August 30 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

All fall semester classes will begin on August 31.

The Silver Belles held a luncheon at El Rey Thursday honoring members who have summer birthdays.

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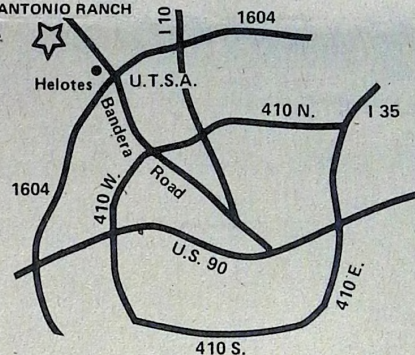
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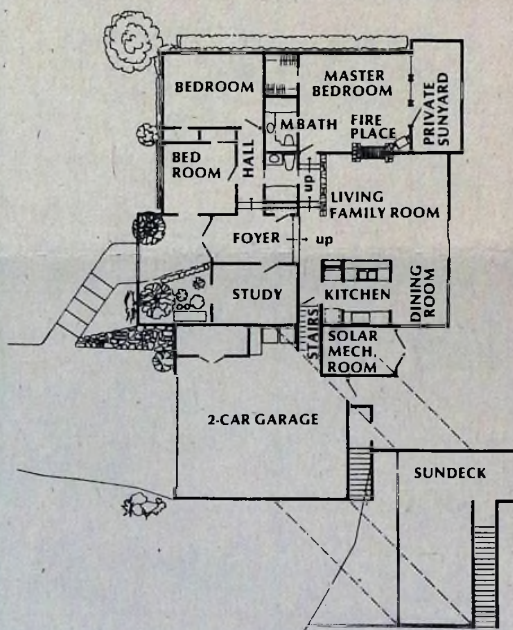
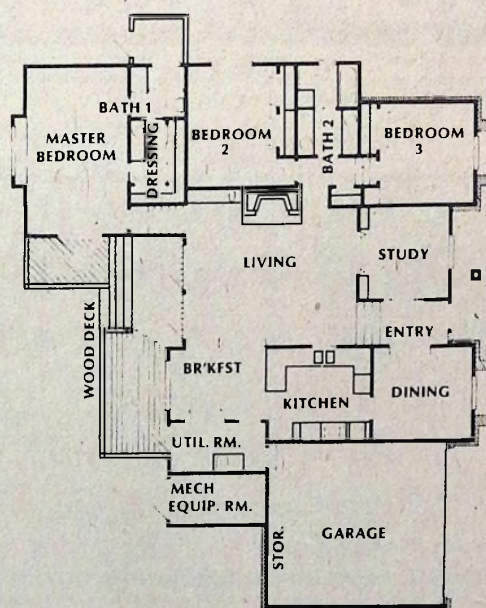
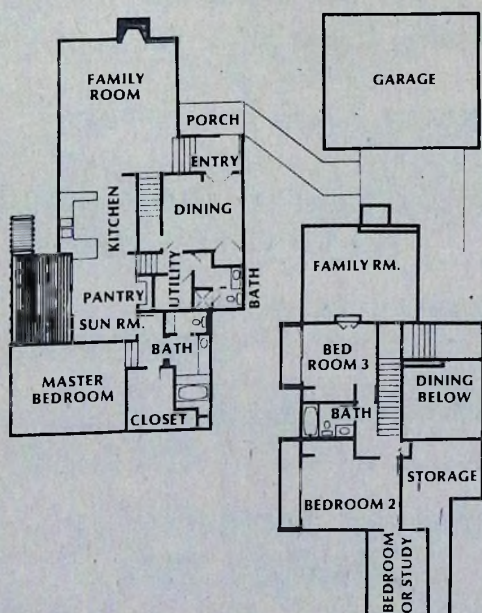
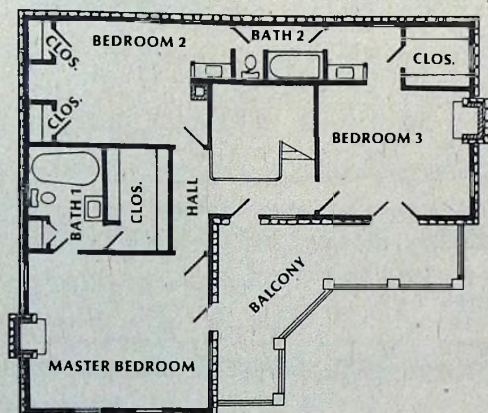
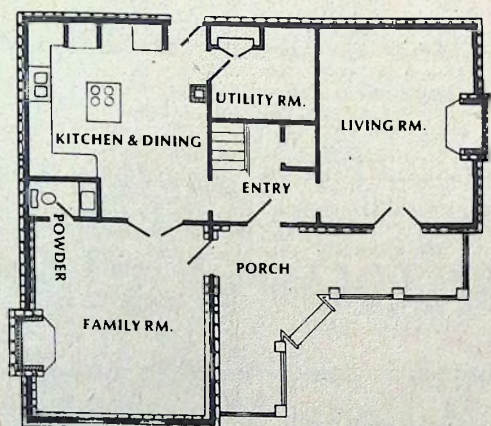
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Floor Plans Of San Antonio Ranch Homes

UTSA Freshman Above Average



Freshmen who entered UTSA in Fall, 1976 scored higher than the national average on their entrance examinations, according to information released recently by the American College Testing (ACT) Program and the College Entrance Examination Board.

The average score for UTSA students on the ACT exam was 19.5; the national average was 18.7.

On the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), the verbal score for UTSA freshmen was 441 compared to the national average of 422. The SAT math score was more than 20 points higher for UTSA students—481 compared to 457.

UTSA requires freshmen who have not previously attended a college or university to take either the ACT or SAT if they graduated from high school within five years of the time they enter the University.

UTSA President Dr. Peter Flawn noted that 52 percent of the UTSA freshmen who took the SAT had received a high school honor.

Thirty-five percent of the UTSA freshmen who took the SAT were members of a racial or ethnic minority. Nationally only 10 percent of those who took the test were minority students.

ACT information indicates that many of the UTSA freshmen who took the test cannot rely on family income alone to finance their college education. Fifty-two percent were receiving less than \$1200 in parental contributions. Forty-six percent planned to apply for financial assistance and 47 percent expected to work while in college and desired assistance in finding a job.

The long hot and dry spell of weather has led to numerous brush fires in the vicinity recently. Residents should be alert and call the fire department as soon as they spot a blaze. Three simultaneous fires on Cross XD Trail Tuesday afternoon, Aug. 16, are thought not to have been a coincidence and to have been maliciously set.

Floor plans of four of the 14 new houses in San Antonio Ranch are shown above. Top to bottom they are: the Ron Macon home, lower floor and upper floor; the Carlos Madrid and Associates home; the Natural Homes entry; and the Speed Fab-Crete of San Antonio home.

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Entrants in the goat tying competition are members of San Antonio area 4-H and FFA chapters. All other contestants are professional rodeo riders and members of the Girls Rodeo Assn.

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According to Center Director, Kevin Guyton, openings are still available for Fall. Located on the Holmes High School campus, Ingram and Loop 410, the center has a separate entrance and playground, as well as new indoor facilities.

Rimon Ham, a longtime resident of Scenic Loop Road, and former Councilman of Grey Forest, is reported to be recovering from heart surgery performed last Wednesday in Nashville, Tenn. His friends wish him a total return to good health soon.

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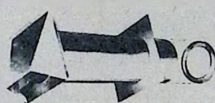


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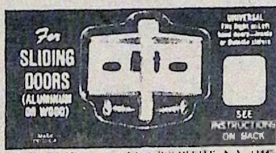
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