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CORNYVAL '83 Rolls Into Town

12 Compete For 'Miss Helotes' Title Wednesday. See Story Page 3



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Lesley Cleveland



Loretta Farrell



Jennifer Moody



Carrie Sue Phillips



Lisa Thompson



Wendy Williams



Kim Klein



Jayne Scarborough



Leslie Lasher



Kathryn Ann Ibarra

'E.T.' Star To Be Grand Marshal

The hills of Helotes will be alive with music—more than ever—during the 1983 Cornyval which will get underway with the Miss Helotes competition and coronation on Wednesday, April 27. The 1983 Cornyval will continue through Sunday, May 1. It will be the 18th annual Cornyval.

Free street dances in Downtown Helotes on Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday afternoon will have music by the Levis, Texas Black Jack, Pure Magic and the German Eagles. On the Floore Country Store patio

simultaneous free dances will have music by Whisky Dreamin' on Friday night, Sundown on Saturday night and Billy Mata on Sunday.

Grand marshal of the 1983 Cornyval Parade Saturday morning will be Henry Thomas, young San Antonio actor who appeared in Universal Pictures' "E.T., the Extra Terrestrial," "The Raggedy Man" and other films. Henry was interviewed by Jane Pauley on the NBC Today program Friday morning.

Honorary grand marshal will be Barbara Fairchild,

western singing star now a resident of Helotes. The parade will begin at Loop 1604 at 11 a.m. Saturday and go along Bandera Road to Scenic Loop.

Food, souvenir and game booths will be operation along the main street of Downtown Helotes Friday night and Saturday and Sunday from noon. The Aero Space Carnival is scheduled to set up on the grounds next to the former Helotes Inn Thursday and continue through Sunday.

Special events for Saturday and Sunday include performances by the Sahawe Indian dancers of Uvalde and the Bexar County Gun-slingers, plus a variety of contests. Bill Stein, special events chairman for the 1983 Cornyval, said the contests will include beer drinking, corn shucking, corn eating, cow chip throwing, tobacco spitting, and husband calling.

Most of the contest will be conducted by disc jockeys of radio station KBUC AM & FM.

A special contest at 6 p.m. Saturday sponsored by Rocking D Western Wear will be the "Wrangler Tight Fitting Jeans Contest." Sheila Dipprey of Rocking D said prizes will be awarded for the best-looking "fillies, mares, stallions and ponies." The master of ceremonies will be Woody Graham.

The annual spring festival is sponsored by a non-profit civic organization, the Helotes Spring Festival Association, Inc. The 1983 president is Jim Benke.

Other officers are Don Belto, executive vice president; Guy Williams, first vice president; Humberto Benavides, second vice president; Don Reddout, third vice president; Jim Wilson, fourth vice president; Helen Wendt, secretary; and Fred Wendt, treasurer.

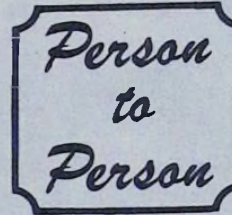
Chairmen of 1983 activities include: Dick Galland, beer sales; Benavides, booths; Nancy Reddout, parade; Michelle Moorad, coronation; Marie Parrigin and Rose Belto, membership; Lucy Brown, publicity; Arthur Braun, beer tickets; Dr. Bob Demski, health and sanitation; Marjorie Beatty, float decoration; Wilson, float transportation; Belto, carnival; and Mrs. Wendt and Maxine Beneke, cashiers.

All events at the Cornyval are free except the Miss Helotes pageant Wednesday night in the Community Activity Center of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church beginning at 7:30 p.m. Admission there will be \$1 for adults, with children under 12 admitted free.

Who's Who



Kristin Wooten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wooten, Jr., of Helotes Park Estates and a senior at John Marshall, will have her biography published in the new Who's Who Among American High School Students. Only 5 per cent of junior and senior students are included. Nominations are based on achievements in academics, athletics or extra-curricular activities. Kristin plans to attend UTSA next year.



A 25th year class reunion for the 1958 graduates of Northside High School (now John Marshall) will be held Saturday, June 11, at Braun Hall. For more details contact Patsy Rosenbusche Darter at 688-3005 or Margaret Martin at 695-3504.

H. Ross McLerran, a 1972 graduate of John Marshall, has been named director of community relations for the Bexar County Hospital District. After John Marshall, Ross went to East Texas State University and got a bachelor's degree in journalism.

Mrs. Gregory Trimble of Braun Station was one of 350 persons who attended a grass roots organizational meeting in Austin recently for Bob Krueger's campaign for the U.S. Senate in 1984.

Dick and Barbara Galland of Helotes Park Estates and their daughter Jennifer attended the Parents Weekend at Texas A&M University last week. The Gallands' son Jon is a student there. A member of Sigma Chi fraternity, Jon was named a beau of Alpha Chi Omega sorority for the weekend.

Leland Hearn of Helotes Ranch Acres suffered a massive heart attack on April 12 and has been recovering at Wilford Hall Medical Center. Friends may send him a card there to: Ward 3-D, CCU, Wilford Hall Medical Center, San Antonio 78236.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Amicone have announced the birth of Melissa Dawn on March 13. Melissa weighed 8 pounds, 2½ ounces. She is the granddaughter of Gordon and Neva Goodpaster of Helotes Park Estates and Jim and LaJuna Amicone of San Antonio. Melissa's mother, Cherelyn Goodpaster, was Miss Helotes in 1975.

Mrs. Ruth Felty of Bandera Road was honored as a distinguished alumna by Incarnate Word College at a reception at the college last Saturday. Mrs. Felty was honored for her outstanding contributions in the field of education. She is district supervisor of vocational education for the Northside District. Only five graduates were designated as distinguished this year.

Bonnie Ellison, public information director for Northside District, has been elected president of the 2000-member National School Public Relations Association

and will be installed as president-elect in Orlando next July.

Now is the time for all good clocks to be turned forward one hour for the return of daylight saving time at 2 a.m. Saturday night. It will be a short night.

Sunday, May 1, will be Loyalty Day in America. All 23 VFW posts and their auxiliaries in San Antonio and surrounding towns will meet at the post on Austin Highway at 5 p.m. on May 1 to observe the day. Judge Carolyn Spears will speak.

April is Foster Family Month in Texas.

Nurse Gets High Score On Exam

Gee Gee Whitehurst, Hill Country Village, a magna cum laude nursing graduate of Incarnate Word College achieved a total score of 3,072 points out of a possible 3,200 on the state registered nurse exam in Austin.

The state registry examination consists of four parts and graduates of nursing programs must pass all four in order to qualify for R.N. certification. The overall pass rate for the 12 IWC graduates who took the exam was 92 percent.

An honor student at IWC and a consistent member of the Dean's List, Mrs. Whitehurst was active in nursing student activities and other campus events. She returned to IWC after raising a family.

Also an avid tennis player, Mrs. Whitehurst has joined her husband, John, a member of the college's development board, on the annual Swing-In Golf and Tennis tournament and has ranked as one of the top players.

Her husband is a former teacher in Helotes School. Mrs. Whitehurst is a daughter of the late Douglas S. Perkins, a teacher at John Marshall High.

UTSA Sets Abstract Art Exhibit

The artwork of Catherine Lee, a visiting artist at UTSA this semester, will be on display in the university's new Teaching Art Gallery, from April 25 through May 6. Admission is free.

An abstract painter whose work is charged with tense emotion and vibrant colors, Lee has exhibited her paintings in galleries throughout the United States and Europe. She has received the CAPS Fellowship in painting and the Edward Albee Foundation Award.

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Miss Helotes To Open Cornyval

Twelve contestants will vie for the title of "Miss Helotes" at the opening event of the Helotes Spring Festival Wednesday night. In addition to the queen, there will be a princess and three duchesses chosen to form the Court.

At the pageant which will be held at the Parish Activity Center of Our Lady Guadalupe Catholic Church on Riggs road beginning at 7:30, April 27, the reigning "Miss Helotes" who is Iris Hall, will crown her successor as a final act of her reign.

Those entering the 1983 contest include one St. Mary's University coed and all others are high school students presently attending John Marshall or Tom C. Clark High Schools.

They are:

Lesley Denise Cleveland, 18, daughter of Charles and Linda Cleveland.

Loretta Mary Farrell, 18, daughter of Loretta and Charles Farrell.

Kathryn (Kathy) Ann Ibarra, 17, daughter of Mary Ellen and Joe Ibarra.

Kimberly (Kim) Dawn Klein, 16, daughter of Bobby and Barbara A. Klein.

Leslie Lee Lasher, 16, daughter of John Lasher and Jane Lasher.

Shawna McGalliard, 17, daughter of Lavon and Nancy McGalliard.

Laura Elizabeth McCellan, 16, daughter of Teresa McClellan and Gordon McClellan.

Jennifer Elizabeth Moody, 16, daughter of Charles (Chuck) Moody and Mary H. Moody.

Jayne Scarborough, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Scarborough.

Carrie Sue Phillips, 16, daughter of Barbara Sue Sales and Gene W. Sales.

Lisa Thompson, 17, daughter of Billy and Gwen Thompson.

Wendy Gylane Williams, 17, daughter of Guy Francis Williams and Sibyl Williams.

A program including music and entertainment will be featured during the intermission. Contestants will make costume changes into casual, dress-up, and formal wear and will be interviewed by the judges.

Mrs. Michele Moorad is Chairman of the event, and will have assistance from Mrs. Rose Belto, Linda Johnson, Sally Simpson and several other members of the Helotes Spring Festival Association which sponsors the annual Cornyval. Tickets are one dollar for adults and over 12-year-olds, and younger children are free.



Miss Helotes, 1982, Iris Hall, will reign over the Coronation Pageant Wednesday night until Miss Helotes 1983 is chosen. Iris will ride on the Cornyval float in San Antonio Fiesta's night parade Saturday, along with the members of her court.

Mrs. Owen Funeral Set Saturday

Mrs. Lucille Owen, longtime resident of Grey Forest, died in her sleep Thursday morning, April 21. A funeral service will be held Saturday morning, April 23, at Mission Park North Chapel, 3401 Cherry Ridge, and burial will be in Mission Burial Park South.

Mrs. Owen had been an



When buying potatoes, avoid those with a green color. This is known as "sunburn" and can be caused by too much exposure to either sun or store lights.

officer of the Scenic Loop Playground Club, past president of Helotes Women's Club, and a member of the Sil

Club, and a member of the Silver Belles, Birthday Club, Helotes Garden Club, and AARP.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Ruth Morris, also of Grey Forest. Mrs. Owen was preceded in death by her husband, Weems, by about twenty years. Mrs. Owen was in her 70's at the time of her death Thursday.

She will lie in state at the Mission Park North Chapel Friday, April 22, from 2 to 9 p.m. Rev. Joe Reynolds of the Forest Hills Presbyterian Church will conduct the service Saturday morning.

Dentists Say Cavity-Free Generation Is Possible

It seems everywhere you look these days there are once again young families with babies and young children. While Dr. Spock was the final say-so for previous generations, this new young parent generation has at its disposal so much in the way of new technology that the previous generation did not.

For example, in the field of pediatric dentistry, we now know that it's possible to have a generation totally cavity-free. Your child's teeth can last a lifetime with no cavities due to advances in chemistry and early care, according to the American Academy of Pedodontics, the professional organization of pediatric dentists.

The most dramatic aspect of children's dentistry is the finding that a clean tooth will simply not decay, according to Dr. Robert Musselman, the president of the Academy.

Most parents, according to Musselman, don't feel entirely comfortable in going into their child's mouth. This is a mistake, since taking care of the very first tooth is the parent's responsibility. While the child is cradled in the lap, the parent should wipe the first teeth with a gauze-wrapped finger. It accustoms the parent and the child in what will become a ritual of cleaning.

A child should be taken to a pediatric dentist before the age of three. The dentist will determine the growth pattern of the child and make recommendations on nutrition, snacking, and



cleaning. The dentist may also at that time observe the child's habits, such as thumb-sucking, lip biting and tongue posture that will guide him in future behavior modification, which is called interceptive orthodontics and can save thousands of dollars in possible future corrections. Fluoride is the foremost factor in this future cavity-free generation. If you're not in a fluoridated water community, your pediatric dentist will give your child a fluoride treatment and regimen. This can consist of a fluoride treatment at the dentist's office, with prescribed fluoride tablets, to be supplemented later with fluoride mouthrinse when the child is five or six years old.

Pediatric dentists are trained especially to make a child comfortable and without fear. They don't usually wear white coats, and their offices are designed for children's interests. When they counsel a parent, it is to tell her that the child will need supervision in teeth-

cleaning until the child is older; that it doesn't so much matter what foods are eaten, as long as the child cleans his teeth thoroughly at least once a day; that it's important to cut down on the number of snacks per day—candy once a day after a meal is not nearly as bad as potato chips, crackers, raisins or fruit, eaten a number of times per day.

A mother will also learn in a pediatric dentist's office that her second child may well benefit from recent findings concerning the type of nipple a child should have if bottle-fed. There are nipples and pacifiers that are shaped like a mother's breast, which make the infant use his jaw muscles as he would with breastfeeding, and this is to be preferred. A nursing child is never to be put to bed with a bottle of milk, juice or any other liquid except water. This can result in "nursing bottle syndrome," in which a child of 18 months can have a mouthful of cavities because sugar in the liquid bathed the teeth over an extended period.

5 Homes To Be Open On Tour

Each spring the Women of Christ Episcopal Church present the San Antonio Home and Garden Pilgrimage. This year the tour will be on Saturday, April 30, and Sunday, May 1, from 12 noon until 6 p.m.

The tickets are \$5.00 each, children under 12 free, and may be purchased at the homes on the days of the tour.

The homes to be presented on the tour this year belong to Mr. and Mrs. John Copeland, 126 Bushnell; Mr. and Mrs. John W. Coates, 619 E. Olmos Dr.; Mr. and Mrs. John Tate, 11, 603 E. Olmos Dr.; Mr. and Mrs. Danny Bell, 131 Park Dr.; and Mr. and Mrs. Eric Wilcox, 224 Ivy Lane.

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AARP Speakers



The Helotes Hills chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons had a covered dish luncheon at the PARC Bldg. last week and heard from EMT Jai Harris and Columbus States III, above, regarding emergency services in the Helotes area. They were given several important tips on what to do in an emergency situation. Mrs. Lou Spiller is 1983 president of the local AARP chapter.

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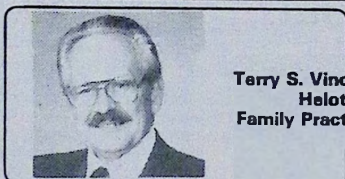
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HERPES: A VILLIAN WITH MANY FACES

Fever blisters, those irritating lip lesions caused by the HSV-1 herpes simplex virus, were discussed in the last issue. Genital herpes will be dealt with in the next. There are still other herpes infections, each a separate disease, and these four aren't all of them, either.

Most of us have heard of "shingles"; doctors call it herpes zoster. The first symptom is usually severe pain, appearing in any part of the body. It can mimic muscle spasm, pleurisy, or even a kidney stone. About four days later characteristic blisters appear along a well-defined area, that supplied by a specific nerve root. The pain continues and may worsen until the blisters begin to dry up after five or six days. Recovery is usually complete but the pain may persist for many months or even years in a few cases.

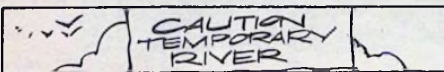
Herpes zoster and chicken pox are caused by exactly the same virus. In shingles the virus left behind by chicken pox hides in nerve roots until somehow activated. There is no specific treatments. Some doctors use cortisone early in the disease. Pain medication is a must. Wet compresses may soothe the lesions. But by and large it simply has to run its course. One bright note: one attack of herpes zoster usually confers permanent immunity. So all herpes isn't forever. At least not herpes zoster.

There's a variation of oral herpes that affects the whole mouth, again with a ponderous name: herpetic gingivostomatitis. Extensive reddened, very uncomfortable ulcerations involve the gums and mucous membranes inside the mouth. It's not a good thing for children because it discourages them from eating and drinking; with dehydration it can spread to other parts of the body and become very serious. Treatment is non-specific, but fortunately the disorder usually goes away on its own in a week or two.

The herpes that affects the eyeball — herpetic keratoconjunctivitis — can seriously damage the vision. Starting with itching and intense pain in the eye, tiny blisters soon form across the eyeball. Recurrences may cause permanent scarring of the cornea and other complications. Specific treatments are available (though they don't always work). Cortisone drugs are strictly a no-no, absolutely contraindicated, as opposed to their use in herpes zoster.

Neonatal herpes is an infection of the newborn infant. It is usually caused by HSV-2 although a few cases have revealed HSV-1, and is transmitted to the newborn during delivery. The baby is seemingly in good shape for a week or two, then it becomes suddenly and seriously ill. The hallmark is the appearance of herpetic blisters (though 15% don't have them), soon followed by temperature fluctuations, difficulty in breathing, convulsions and other ominous signs.

In some it is limited to the skin, eyes and mouth; in others the brain may be affected; and in yet others it spreads throughout the body with rapid deterioration of the infant. One drug, vidarabine, sometimes helps; other new drugs (including acyclovir) offer additional hope. The majority of these infants don't survive the infection, and those that do suffer a very high incidence of permanent disability of one sort or another. The HSV-2 genital herpes doesn't affect the expectant mother any more than it did before she became pregnant. However, the chances of her passing it on to her newborn is so great that some obstetricians deliver the baby by cesarean section to avoid possible transmission. Neonatal herpes is indeed a rapacious viral infection of little babies.



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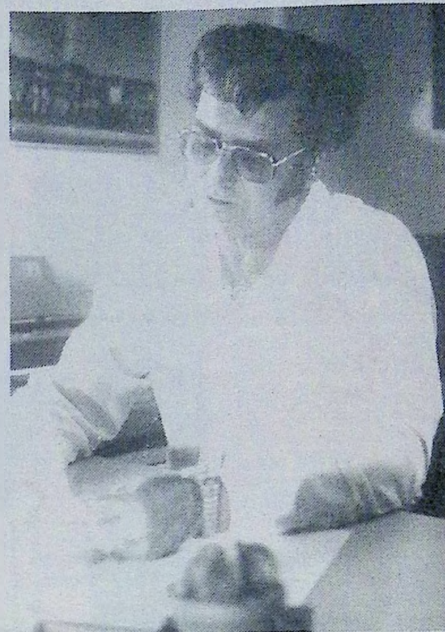
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Festival Proclamation



Mayor Frank Thompson signs his first proclamation, one designating the week of April 25-May 1 as "Helotes Annual Spring Festival Week." The festival — Cornyval '83 — will get underway Wednesday with the

Miss Helotes pageant. Mayor Thompson's second proclamation, also signed this week, designates Saturday, May 14, as the "Helotes First Annual Clean-up Day" and urges citizens to join in the work and fun.

Bank Director Honored



Norman L. Wulfsohn, right, presents Bennie H. Lyon, left, a plaque in recognition of his dedication and tireless efforts as a key organizer, Charter Director and original Vice-Chairman of the Board of Helotes State Bank, which marked its first anniversary recently.

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Artist In Action



Helotes Landmarks — old and new — are part of a detailed mural being painted by Debbie, local artist who has a studio in the Auction Annex. The wall is in the entrance of Helotes General Store.

Life Run To Benefit Research

To celebrate May Day in a healthy way this year, try the Second Annual American Cancer Society-Mr. Gatti's Run for Life, Sunday, May 1, in Olmos Park. The 10,000-meter race will begin at 9 a.m. Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m.

The starting line is on Devine Road across from St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Last year, more than 600 runners paid to participate in the race. All proceeds from the entry fees support the research, education and service programs of the American Cancer Society. Mr. Gatti's covers any expenses incurred.

Awards will be given to men and women in the following categories: age 14 and under; 15-19, 20-29; 30-39; 40-49; 50 and above. Post-race refreshments will be available.

Entry forms are available at all Mr. Gatti's locations and at the American Cancer Society office.



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Grange Chefs



Shown at the Grange Fundraising Dinner recently are Master Bill Maskew, far right, and Mary Maskew, left, secretary, and Marvin Schweppe, treasurer, center. The three with the able assistance of Clarence Galm on the barbecue manned the kitchen and had a record-breaking number of guests. Proceeds go to the National Convention slated to be held here with the Leon Valley Grange as hosts in the near future.

Malls Get Arts Festival

In conjunction with the San Antonio Festival, the North San Antonio Chamber of Commerce will host a Fine Arts Festival on April 28-30 and May 5-7 at Ingram, Windsor, North Star, Wonderland, Central Park and South Park Malls.

Featured performances in jazz, classical music, ballet, modern dance, orchestras

and ensembles, as well as static art exhibits, will take place at all of the malls from 6-9 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and noon to 9 p.m. on Saturday.

The San Antonio Symphony will kick off the North San Antonio Chamber's Fine Arts Festival with a Pops Concert on Wednesday, April 27, at the Convention Center.

Lyric Soprano



Lyric-coloratura soprano Elizabeth Haley will perform as guest soloist with the Trinity University Community Orchestra, Monday, April 25, at 8 p.m. in Laurie Auditorium. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for students. Haley, a native of Houston, made her debut with the New York City Opera in 1974, and she has appeared with the company in opera productions throughout the United States.

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NEWS Of Coins



This long-awaited silver coin offers a unique opportunity to own a piece of American history today.

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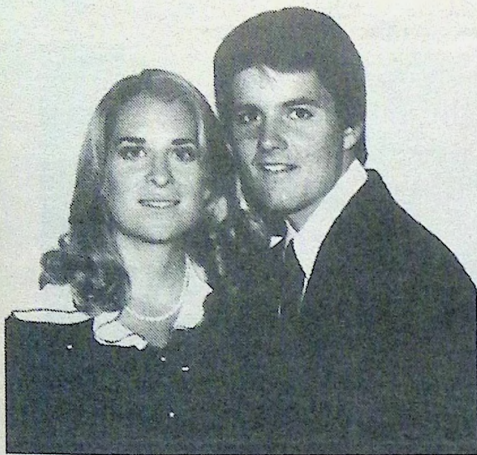
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The bride-elect and her fiancé are 1977 graduates of John Marshall High School. Lori is a graduate of The University of Texas at

Austin, and has a bachelor of business administration degree.

Her fiancé is a May candidate for a degree in marketing from Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.

The wedding is planned for July 23, 1983 at the First Presbyterian Church in San Antonio.

Catholics To Honor Germans

"Our Heritage in Faith and Ethnicity" is the theme of the Texas Catholic Conference on Ethnic Community Affair's 6th Annual Spring Conference, Sunday, May 1, at the Institute of Texan Cultures.

Keynote speaker William V. Dielmann, Jr., will outline the history and contributions of the German Catholics of San Antonio and Texas. The year 1983 marks the Tricentennial of German immigrants to the North American colonies, so this year's conference focuses on the German settlements of Texas.

Representatives of other Catholic ethnic groups will make brief presentations of each group's history and heritage in Texas.

Highlight of the program will be presentation of Margil Awards to outstanding individuals of each ethnic group. Named for the Venerable Padre Antonio Margil, founder of the famed San Jose Mission, the Margil Award recognizes outstanding contributions toward the awareness and promotion of

the Catholic ethnic tradition and values.

Receiving the award for the German group will be keynote speaker Diekmann. Others are: James B. Foster, Blacks; Dan and Charline Pavliska, Czech; Mr. and Mrs. Alfredo Quijano, Filipino; John B. Flannery, Irish; Joseph A. Monteverdi, Jr., Italian; Sr. Dolores Cardenas, CDP, Mexican; Sr. Alfonso Bobek, OLS, Polish; and Ana Marie Mendoza, Spanish.

Additional groups expected to participate in the conference include Alsations, Belgians, Canary Islanders, Cubans, Hungarians, Lebanese, Puerto Ricans and Vietnamese.

German Writer To Lecture

A lecture on "Women in Fascism" by Ingeborg Drewitz, one of the best-known women writers in West Germany, will be given at UTSA at noon on Monday, April 25.

The lecture, sponsored by the University Center Program Council and the UTSA Division of Foreign Languages, will be held in the Kiva Room of the Multidisciplinary Studies Building. There is no charge for admission.



The first cheddar cheese factory in the United States was built by Jesse Williams near Rome, N.Y., in 1851.

May Wedding Planned



Judie Allen and Fiance

Mrs. Flossie Allen announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Judie, to Terry A. Raska, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Raska of Rosenberg, Texas.

Judie is a graduate of John Marshall High School and a 1983 degree candidate of Southwest Texas State

University of San Marcos. Her fiancé is a graduate of Southwest Texas State University.

The wedding will take place on Saturday, May 28, 1983 in the First Presbyterian Church of Rosenberg. After a Honeymoon in Hawaii, they will make their home in Rosenberg.

Spanish explorers visiting Mexico found the natives playing a game with a ball made of a strange substance that caused it to bounce. The Mexicans put this same material on their coats to turn away the rain. They had found rubber.



Joe LaRocca will lead Northside School District's 1983 Summer School at Marshall High School as principal. Assisting him will be vice-principals Barbara Newkirk and Anne Ackerman. Summer School registration is scheduled Friday, June 3. Classes will begin on Monday, June 6, and finish Friday, July 29. NISD's '83 Summer School is open to all students in grades 6-12 and offers a variety of classes from typing and reading to algebra and chemistry. For more information, call 681-0330, ext. 239.

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Stevenson Choirs Tops In Contests

Coke Stevenson Middle School choir director Judy Stephenson recently announced the results of the spring Solo and Ensemble contest. Of the 283 entries, 200 students received the highest rating of "1", 76 received ratings of "2", and 7 received "3" ratings.

The Stevenson choirs also participated in the NISD Choral and Sight Reading contest at John Jay High School on April 6. Each of the choirs entered in the contest

received a Sweepstakes award for the concert performance. The sixth grade choir, Treble Choir, and Concert Choir also received Sweepstakes awards for their sight-reading entries, and the Tenor-Bass Choir received a rating of "1".

The choirs entered the University Interscholastic League choral concert and sight reading contest at Trinity University on April 12. The Tenor-Bass Choir received Sweepstakes

awards for both their concert and sight-reading entries. The Treble Choir received a sweepstakes award for concert performance and a "2" in sight-reading. The Concert Choir received a Sweepstakes in concert and a "3" in sight-reading.

Upcoming choir activities include the Show Choir's participation in the River City Festival in Austin on May 13-14, the choir Spring Musical on May 19-20, and the Spring Concert and Awards night on May 24.

ENTERTAINING IDEAS

GIVE A KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY

With May 7th around the corner, it's time for the Kentucky Derby. Participate in the excitement by hosting a "Derby Party" of your own. Gather around the television and pick your favorite. Toast your favorite with a Bacardi Lime Racer, Triple Crown Chicken with asparagus is the perfect pick for dinner. A sure bet for dessert is a taste-thrilling Jockey Torte, a change of pace from the usual layer cake. Odds are, it's certain to be a party that will put you in the winner's circle.

BACARDI LIME RACER

- 2 cups Bacardi light rum (80 proof)
- 1 cup fresh lime juice
- 1/3 cup superfine sugar
- 1 cup undrained, crushed pineapple
- 2 egg whites
- 3 cups club soda
- Pineapple spears
- Maraschino cherries

Using half the amount of each ingredient, combine first 5 ingredients in blender container. Cover and blend well until smooth. Pour over ice cubes into glasses, filling half full. Add club soda to fill glass. Garnish with fruit. Makes 8 to 10 servings.



In large, deep skillet, brown chicken in butter. Add tomatoes, celery, onion, spices and 1 cup chicken stock. Cover and simmer 30 minutes. Add rum, asparagus and pimiento. Cook 15 minutes longer or until chicken and asparagus are tender. Blend flour and remaining chicken stock. Stir into sauce. Cook, stirring until thickened and smooth. If desired, serve over hot cooked pasta. Makes 6 servings.

TRIPLE CROWN CHICKEN

- 2 chickens, cut up (about 3 pounds ea.)
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1 can (16 ounces) whole tomatoes, undrained
- 1 cup sliced celery (including leaves)
- 1 cup sliced green onion (1-inch pieces)
- 1 medium bay leaf
- 1/2 teaspoon curry powder
- 1 small clove garlic, minced
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 1 1/3 cups chicken stock or broth
- 1/3 cup Bacardi light rum (80 proof)
- 1 1/2 cups asparagus, cut into 2-inch pieces
- 1/3 cup pimiento strips
- 3 tablespoons flour

JOCKEY TORTE
3 medium carrots, peeled and sliced
1/4 cup Bacardi light rum (80 proof)
1 1/2 cups toasted almonds
1 tablespoon unsalted butter or margarine
1/4 cup crushed orange-flavored almond cookies
4 egg yolks
1 cup sugar
1 tablespoon grated orange peel
1 1/4 cup unsifted all-purpose flour

- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 4 egg whites, at room temperature
- Confectioners' sugar

In blender container, chop carrots very fine. Blend with rum. Blend almonds until very fine. Add to carrots. Grease 9-inch springform pan with butter. Sprinkle sides with cookie crumbs. In mixer bowl, combine egg yolks, sugar and orange peel. Beat at medium speed until thick and lemon-colored. Add to rum mixture. Blend in flour and baking powder. Beat egg whites in clean bowl at high speed of electric mixer until stiff but not dry. Fold into rum mixture. Pour batter into prepared pan. Bake at 350° F. for 35 minutes or until cake tests done. Cool in pan on wire rack until cake is room temperature. Just before serving, sprinkle top of cake with confectioners' sugar. Makes one cake.

New Council Begins Term

Judge David Berchermann swore in new Mayor Frank Thompson and the newly re-elected City Council at the meeting called on April 8, where the votes were canvassed. He also swore in Judge Barbara Galland, Alternate Judge Robert Caldwell and Court Clerk Judy Reichert.

Members of the Council are Verna Thompson and Pat Wootton elected to two-year terms and Guy Burnett, Leonard Hill and Rudy Loeffler, re-elected to one-year terms.

A Certificate of Recognition was presented to former Mayor Tom Beatty by Mayor Thompson.

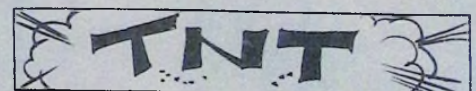
At the April meeting, the Treasurer's report showed total revenues

of \$6,692.05 April 1-20. Total Expenditures were \$7,019.39 leaving a balance of \$23,088.06 in the treasury.

An anticipated balance of \$2,204.99 in ad valorem taxes for 1982 will bring the past year's revenue from this source to \$49,566.75, according to the gross billing, it was also reported.

A 40-minute executive

session took up personnel matters. During the regular session Thursday, two resignations from the Planning and Zoning Commission were accepted with regret and plans were discussed to replace these persons. Police Chief Bennie Benavides reported that the police car is now fully operable.



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Handmade Dresses Were Only Choice For Settlers

A walk through the exhibit floor of The University of Texas Institute of Texan Cultures at San Antonio evokes a feeling of identity with the past. That feeling, in part, comes from the creative efforts of persons such as Carolyn Black.

Her role as an educational specialist for the Institute includes researching and creating the authentic costumes she wears to add a touch of realism to her interpretations of Texas history. Mrs. Black's latest creation is a Calico Series day dress

worn by women settlers in Texas in the 1830s. Everything worn by women during this time had to be sewn by hand.

"Even the delicate crocheted buttons that adorn the cuffs and bodice had to be done a stitch at a time," ex-

plains Mrs. Black. "Women didn't have the luxury of sewing machines. They had to rely on a skillful hand and a careful eye," she adds.

Because early settlers had to be cost conscious, every effort was made to conserve fabric. The sleeves were made from a square cut of fabric and the shoulders were dropped to compensate. Seams often were piped in the same or contrasting colors as decoration. Lining the sleeves added extra fullness.

The skirt also was made to conserve fabric by gathering three widths of material cut to proper length for the wearer. The simplicity of the pattern made possible adjustment allowances for long and short-waisted women. Several petticoats were worn beneath to give the garment a flowing look.

Mrs. Black believes the recreation of costumes from our early Texas heritage "gives us a better understanding of the people, the way they lived and how they thought." Women had to be practical in the design and fit of the garment, but being in style was of utmost importance too. Styles may have changed for women through the years, but women have not changed in their desire to achieve a look which is both practical and in vogue.

The Institute of Texan Cultures is a state-wide learning and communications center concerned with the ethnic, cultural and folk history of Texas.

Concert To Star Welsh Composer

Welsh composer William Mathias, who was commissioned to write an anthem for the wedding of Prince Charles and Lady Diana, will be at UTSA for the performance of a selection of his works on Tuesday, April 26, beginning at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$6 and \$4.

Mathias' anthem "Let the People Praise Thee," commissioned for the marriage of the royal couple, was heard at its world premiere by an audience estimated at 750 million, probably the greatest number of people to hear a premiere of any piece of music ever.

A highlight of the program to be presented at UTSA will be the world premiere of his new setting for choir and organ, "Jubilate deo," commissioned by the university for the inaugural season of UTSA's new pipe organ and 500-seat Recital Hall.

"Jubilate deo" will be performed by the UTSA Concert Choir, Chamber Chorale and Madrigal Singers, with Dr. Bess Hieronymus, professor of organ.

Other pieces included in the program will be Mathias' "Shakespeare Songs" for mixed chorus and piano, and "A Vision of Time and Eternity" for contralto and piano.



Carolyn Black, educational specialist at The University of Texas Institute of Texan Cultures, models one of the early Texas costumes she has created. This Calico Series dress is characteristic of the day dress worn by women settlers in Texas during the 1830's.

SAC Plans Summer Sign Up

Time permits for summer registration at San Antonio College will be issued beginning May 2.

Time permits are required to register for first summer session classes at SAC. Registration will be held May 27 and first summer session classes will begin May 30 for both day and evening courses.

Time permits will be issued according to the following schedule of the students' last names: A-F, May 2; G-L, May 3; M-R, May 4; and S-Z, May 5.

Former students, new evening students and transfer students will report to the Loftin Student Center Fiesta Room, currently

enrolled students will go to Moody Learning Center Room 209.

Hours to receive day permits are 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Permits for evening classes will be issued 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Students who plan to attend both day and evening classes need to obtain only day time permits.

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"Salome"



Karan Armstrong of the Berlin Opera will sing the title role in the Richard Strauss opera, "Salome," during the first annual San Antonio Festival in May.

Leon Springs Festival To Help Buy Fire Truck

A spring festival sponsored by the Leon Springs Volunteer Fire Department will be held on Sunday, May 15, from 12 noon until 10 p.m. at Raymond Russell Park, 1-10 North. A barbecue meal will be served until 5 p.m., and a dance will follow from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m., with music provided by the Cibola Six. Admission to the festival and dance will be free.

A variety of activities include a cake walk, dunking booth, fish pond, moon walk, video games, dart throw, and other entertainment. Concessions will offer German tacos, nachos, frito pies, popcorn, snow cones, cotton can-

dy, soft drinks, wine coolers, beer, and desserts.

A Country Kitchen and Store will sell homemade foods and kitchen items. Booths will feature arts, crafts, plants, books, and white elephants. Prizes will be awarded during the evening.

All proceeds will go toward the purchase of another fire truck to meet the needs of a growing community.

Mexico To Be Field Study Site

A special studies course offered through UTSA this summer will bring to life for students classroom work in the study of Hispanic and Pre-Hispanic art and architecture.

The Division of Art and Design's art history course, "New World Hispanic and Pre-Hispanic Arts," will be offered July 6 through August 10 and will include a 15-day field trip to Oaxaca, Mexico. Some of the most

significant Hispanic and Pre-Hispanic sites in today's Mexico are located in this region.

More than 40 hours of study are scheduled in Mexico, with some presented as lectures but most as on-site studies. On the return trip, two days will be spent in Mexico City, primarily to visit the National Museum of Anthropology and History.

Girl Scouts Head For Castroville

More than 3,100 Girl Scouts ages six to adult from the San Antonio Area Council of Girl Scouts are scheduled to participate in Roundup '83, a council-wide event planned for April 30 and May 1 in the Castroville Regional Park near Castroville.

Saturday, April 30, will begin with a parade of flags at 10 a.m. and end with a campfire program at 7 p.m. The hours in between will be filled with a variety of activities including crafts, exhibits, covered wagon rides, folk dancing, new games, sports, heritage hikes and bicycle safety programs.

Roundup '83 is a nostalgic look back to a tradition of large national and international encampments for Girl Scouts and Girl Guides which were held every three years until 1965. Girl Scout Roundups began many years ago to give girls an opportunity to get together for fun and learning in the out-of-doors. Roundup '83 will be no exception.

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UTSA Signs Three Basketball Players

The University of Texas at San Antonio recently signed three men's basketball players to national letters of intent, it was announced by Head Coach Don Eddy.

The Roadrunners obtained the signatures of Brent Cotton, a 6-5, 195-pound guard from Smith Center, Kansas; Gary Payne, a 5-9, 165-pound guard who is currently in the U.S. Army at Fort Hood in Killeen; and Vince Cunningham, a 6-5 185-pound guard from Pittsburgh.

Payne, Cotton and Cunningham join freshmen red-shirt Roger Rollocks, a 6-6 guard/forward, who transferred to UTSA from

Syracuse, as the newest Roadrunner players.

Cotton, an all-around athlete at Smith Center High School, was a first team All-State selection in Kansas. He averaged 16.4 points a game, 10.1 rebounds and 6.1 assists. Cotton shot 59.7% from the field and 70.2% from the line his senior year. He lettered three times in basketball, twice in football as a defensive back and twice in track. Cotton played in the Kansas All-Star game recently and scored 12 points. He also was a member of the Kansas State football championship team.

Payne, 22, will enter UTSA as a freshman this fall after he is discharged from the U.S. Army. He attended Albion High School in Detroit, graduating in 1979. Last year at Fort Hood, he averaged 13.0 points and 8.0 assists. He led the team to the U.S. Army Championship the past

five years. In 1981, the Fort Hood squad was 37-7 and Payne averaged 11.0 ppg.

Cunningham, a transfer from Allegheny Community College in Pittsburgh, is the third recruit signed by Coach Don Eddy and the Roadrunners. Cunningham averaged 14 points and seven assists a game last year for Allegheny Community College and led the team to the NJCAA National Tournament, where they upset one of the seeded teams (Wabash College). He shot 54% from the floor and 82% from the free throw line. Allegheny finished at 23-7 and won the Skyline Athletic Conference title and the NJCAA Region 20 Championship.

Lutheran Groups To Begin Unity

A first step toward unity will be taken by two Lutheran bodies when they meet for their first joint regional convention April 29-May 1 at the San Antonio Convention Center.

Delegates and members from the Southern District of

The American Lutheran Church (ALC) and the Texas-Louisiana Synod of The Lutheran Church in America (TLCA) will meet for business sessions, workshops and worship under the theme "Becoming One Under the Son."

National leaders from both bodies will be present to mark the beginning of union of the two groups, along with the Association of Evangelical Lutheran Churches (AELC), projected to be completed by 1988.

East Texas Gets New Area Code

A new area code is now in effect for telephone customers in parts of East and Southeast Texas. The new area code, 409 will replace the current 713 area code for about 180 cities and towns, including Beaumont and Galveston, said Jim

Reed, division manager-residence services, for Southwestern Bell.

Houston and about 30 nearby towns will remain in the 713 area code. All other cities in the existing 713 area will switch to the new 409 area code. Record growth, especially in the Houston

metropolitan area, created the need to split the existing 713 area code, said Reed.

All customers in both the 713 and 409 areas will keep their same seven-digit local number. The change will have no effect on Long Distance calling rates.

Roadrunners To Compete At Baylor

The UT San Antonio men's and women's track teams will get a stiff dose of Southwest Conference competition this Friday, April 22, when they run in the Baylor Invitational in Waco.

Field events will begin at 11 a.m. at Baylor Stadium, and the running finals get underway at 6 p.m. The men's division consists of Angelo State, Baylor, Lamar, Missouri, North Texas, Rice, Southwest Texas, UT Austin, Texas A&M, UT Arlington, TCU and UTSA. The women will compete with teams from Abilene Christian, Angelo State, Baylor, North Texas, Rice, Southwest Texas, UT Austin, Texas A&M, UT Arlington, TCU and UTSA in the meet.

Stevenson Newspaper State's Best

The Coke Stevenson Middle School school newspaper, "Wildcat Whispers," was named the "Top Middle School Newspaper" in Texas at the Interscholastic League Press Conference in Austin recently. This is the second consecutive year "Wildcat Whispers" has brought the award home.

Also honored at the convention were individual students whose entries in special categories placed in the top three. David Cisneros was awarded first place for sports story writing. Tina Anazaldua received third place for Layout Design. Kristi Simmons (feature story writing) and John Sawyer and Doug Church (photos) were awarded third place awards.

"Wildcat Whispers" is sponsored by faculty advisor Rebecca Oakley.

Jay High School student Susan Hopper was presented first place in Feature Writing. Her school newspaper, "The Jay Statesman," was presented the Award of Distinguished Merit, according to faculty advisor Pat Gathright.

The Clark High School "Chronicle" was given an Award of Distinguished Merit and the Holmes High School "Gavel" and John Marshall "Rampage" were both awarded Awards of Achievement. The Golden Quill Award was presented for the first time this year and was awarded to the "Hobby Hawkeye" for outstanding contributions to scholastic journalism.

In the yearbook category, the Hobby "Hawkeye" and Jay "Hoofprints" were both awarded Awards of Distinguished Merit and the Marshall "Horn" was awarded the Award of Honor.

Jay Star To Be Lady Roadrunner

Starlite Williams, a 5-10 forward from John Jay High School, became the first woman basketball player to sign a full-ride scholarship at The University of Texas at San Antonio, it was announced by Head Coach Ginny DeHaven.

Williams, a multi-sport athlete at Jay, is a tremendous leaper and will probably play a forward spot for UTSA next year. She led her team to district and bi-district titles in San Antonio, and the Lady Mustangs were runners-up in the Regional in the Regional Tournament held at UTSA. Williams was a second team All-Region selection and made All-District and All-City in San Antonio. She averaged 19 points and 6.8 rebounds a game for Coach DeAnna Richardson at Jay.

UTSA Track Coach Jim Skaines also was delighted with the signing of Williams. She is considered one of the top high school hurdlers and triple jumpers in Texas this year. She has run in the state championships the past two years.

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7 Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell		675	7
8 Total loans (including overdrafts totaling \$ 10) (From Schedule A Item 8)	6	524	8
9 Lease financing receivables	NONE		9
10 Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises		358	10
11 Real estate owned other than bank premises	NONE		11
12 Letters of credit and customers' liability on acceptances outstanding		144	12
13 All other assets		125	13
14 TOTAL ASSETS (sum of items 1 thru 13)	9	717	14

LIABILITIES

15 Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	1	326	15
16 Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	6	132	16
17 Deposits of United States Government	NONE		17
18 Deposits of States and political subdivisions in the United States	NONE		18
a. Deposits of the State of Texas	NONE		18a
19 Due to banks	NONE		19
20 All other deposits		16	20
21 Certified and officers' checks		228	21
22 Total Deposits (sum of items 15 thru 21)		7 702	22
a. Total demand deposits	1	570	22a
b. Total time and savings deposits	6	132	22b
23 Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	NONE		23
24 Interest bearing demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury and other liabilities for borrowed money	NONE		24
25 Mortgage indebtedness for which the bank is directly liable	NONE		25
26 Unearned discount on loans		385	26
27 Letters of credit and acceptances outstanding		144	27
28 All other liabilities		61	28
29 TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures) (sum of items 22 thru 28)	8	292	29
30 Subordinated notes and debentures	NONE		30
31 Allowance for possible loan and investment losses		45	31

EQUITY CAPITAL

32 Common stock (No. of shares outstanding)	125,000		
33 Certified surplus		875	32
34 Undivided profits		250	33
35 Uncertified surplus, reserve for contingencies, and other capital reserves		60	34
36 TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 32 thru 35)		1 195	36
37 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 29, 30, 31 and 36)		1 190	37

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Medical School Studies Causes of Birth Defects

Modern technology has provided "new and improved" drugs, cosmetics, pesticides, building materials, artificial food flavorings and a variety of other products.

But how safe are these products? Scientists believe that many of them contain compounds with the potential to cause birth defects in humans.

Government regulations require that all products intended for human use be tested for toxicity or other obvious adverse reactions. However, the concept of screening products for their possible genetic effects is a fairly recent one, according to researchers at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.

Robert Klebe, Ph.D., associate professor of anatomy, and Ivan Cameron Ph.D., professor of anatomy, have each received a grant from the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation to develop precise methods of screening environmental substances and industrial compounds for their possible effects on human reproduction.

In his project, Klebe is examining common industrial compounds suspected of causing birth defects by altering the function of genes, a process called epigenetic mutation.

Klebe speculates that there are a number of industrial compounds that can, under the right conditions, cause epigenetic changes. Two compounds proven to be epigenetic mutagens are polyethylene glycol or PEG, and dimethyl sulfoxide, commonly called DMSO.

Among the 10 most-used industrial compounds, PEG derivatives are found in drugs, creams, lotions, shampoos, hair conditioners, soaps, shaving creams, makeup sticks, hair conditioners, ointments, suppositories, lipsticks, sunscreens, solid antiperspirant sticks, bath oils and many other pharmaceutical and cosmetic products.

Although the drug DMSO is used in other countries in treatment of several conditions including arthritis, the drug has not been approved for clinical use in the United States.

Klebe believes that the potential for birth defects of other changes caused by epigenetic mutagens can be reduced through use of the screening methods he is developing.

"Once we know what compounds have the capability of producing epigenetic changes, we can avoid using them," he says. "Or, we can avoid using them in combination with other conditions known to enhance their epigenetic mutant properties."

Klebe is conducting his studies using human and mouse tissue cultures. Cameron seeks a method of identifying environmental agents capable of disrupting normal embryonic development.

In his project, the fertilized embryos of the tiny rice fish (Japanese medaka) are exposed at different stages of development, and for varying periods of time, to substances suspected of causing birth abnormalities.

Compounds he is screening include pesticides, herbicides, heavy metals and some medications once considered "harmless."

One of these "harmless" medications is aspirin. Cameron and health science center researcher Mary Guthrie, Ph.D., assistant professor of anatomy, have observed specific birth defects in newly-hatched rice fish that were exposed to components of aspirin during early stages of embryonic development.

These defects included hydrocephaly, a condition commonly referred to as "water on the brain," and heart defects.

"These same birth defects in humans have been linked by other scientists to heavy aspirin use by the mother early in pregnancy," Cameron says.

The scientist adds that many of the substances tested in the rice fish consistently produce the same abnormalities. Exposure in early stages of development is more critical than later exposure.

While it is impossible to make direct dosage comparisons from fish to man, Cameron says we can expect that because all vertebrate embryonic development is similar, the patterns of disruption to development will be similar as well.

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Edwards Wells Rise

Following above-average March rains, water well levels throughout most of the Edwards Underground Water District by the end of the month had registered gains over the February readings, the district office has announced.

Spring flow also was up, but the index wells at Uvalde and Sabinal were unchanged from the previous month, holding at 876.2 and 772.0 feet, respectively.

Comal Springs at New Braunfels increased 18 cubic feet per second to a flow of

312 cfs, which is slightly above the longterm average of 299 cfs.

San Marcos Springs jumped 42 cfs to a flow of 176, also exceeding the longterm average flow of 168 cfs. Leona River Springs at Uvalde, checked every six weeks, maintained a flow of 26.4 cfs early in March.

Following are four water well levels at the end of March shown in altitude above mean sea level with the all-time recorded highs in parentheses:

Castroville: 698.1 feet, up

1.6 feet (737.8).

Hondo: 725.0 feet, up 1.5 feet (773.8).

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By Ronald C. Jaroszewski,
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New home buyers can avoid surprises by studying carefully the conditions of their home purchase that are spelled out in the purchase agreement.

In effect, the purchase agreement is the homebuyer's bill of rights, stipulating everything from the promised completion date of a house to construction specifications. As with legal document, home buyers should be sure they understand and agree with all clauses and conditions of the contract before they sign it.

In some cases, a buyer may want to hire an attorney to examine the purchase agreement.

In a typical new home buying situation, buyers are shown a model home which can be built on a specific plot of land. Depending upon the size of the project, there may be a number of available sites to choose from. The purchase agreement should state a proposed building completion date, the specific model and the site on which it will be built. Any modifications in the basic model or optional features should also be spelled out in the contract.

The purchase agreement also states the deposit amount or earnest money required by the builder after a sales price for the home has been negotiated. The deposit can range anywhere from several hundred to thousands of dollars, depending upon the value of the property.

The deposit is held in escrow by an attorney or broker until the closing on the

property. It is then applied toward the down payment. The buyer forfeits the deposit to the seller if all the terms of the purchase offer are met but the buyer decides not to go through with the sale.

As a rule, a home builder will make every effort to provide the buyer with the best mortgage finance terms that can be obtained from the builder's lender, although sometimes buyers are expected to line up their own financing. Builders are less apt to provide financing for the purchase of luxury-priced homes.

When the builder provides the financing, the purchase agreement should include a clause specifying the mortgage amount, the interest rate, if known, and the duration of the loan. If the buyer is unable to obtain the type of financing specified in the contract, then the contract should become void and the deposit fully refunded. When the buyer is responsible for obtaining financing, but after a reasonable effort is unable to find a mortgage, then the contract is void.

Below are a few other items a homebuyer should look for in the purchase agreement:

The seller should state responsibility for providing a clear title to the property. The title provides evidence of ownership. This is a fairly straightforward procedure in the matter of a new home, but can become more involved in the purchase of an existing home.

Any appliances, furnishings, fixtures and other items the buyer expects in the home should be listed. If a fireplace, carpeting, curtain rods or any other feature is

not specified in the agreement, then the builder may not be legally compelled to furnish it.

Insist on written warranties. Usually the heating and cooling system and built-in appliances are warranted by the manufacturer and that warranty is passed on the buyer at closing. A new home warranty offered by the builder or private insurance program such as the Home Owners Warranty (HOW) covers cosmetic problems, but more importantly the structure and electrical plumbing and other systems.

Some arrangement should be stipulated for unreasonable delays in completing the house and going to settlement.

If the seller defaults on the contract, the buyer should be entitled to damages, which can be specified as the amount of the deposit or more.

A purchase agreement is where a homebuyer shakes hands with the seller. To ensure that the builder has a sound reputation, a buyer can check out his or her track record with the local home building association, government consumer office or Chamber of Commerce.



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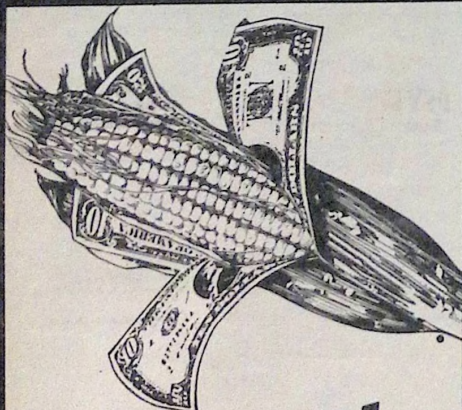


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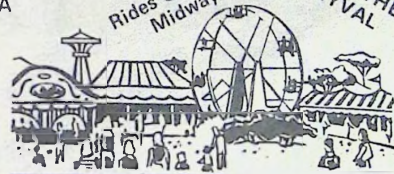
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