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Person- to- Person

Scott Tagliarino, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Tagliarino of McNeel Park, was editor of The Daily Texan, student newspaper at the University of Texas in Austin, which has received the Pacemaker Award as the outstanding American college daily for the 1975-76 school year. The Texan has won the award only three times since 1969. Scott, also a graduate of Marshall High School, now has been graduated from the University of Texas and is working in Dallas. While on the staff of Marshall's Rampage he reported teen events for the ECHO and was Editor of the Rampage in his senior year.

Nancy Ann Menchaca recently received her plaque for being an outstanding vocational and technical student and was elected to Who's Who among students for 1976-77. She is a Marshall High senior this year.

Sherwood and Eleanor Nelson had as a houseguest for 10 days Eleanor's great-niece, Carrie Kersten, 13-years-old from the Rio Grande Valley.

1978 Livestock Show Headliner



Johnny Rodriguez is one of five top western singers who has been signed up to provide entertainment during the 1978 San Antonio Livestock Show and Rodeo, Feb. 10-19. The others are Red Steagall, Mel Tillis, Jim Ed Brown and Helen Cornelius. Tillis is country music's 1977 Entertainer of the Year. The signing of topflight entertainers is quite an improvement for the show, which in recent years had used only second-string artists.

Ranch Town Opening Draws Big Crowds

By C.O. Brown

The opening of San Antonio Ranch on Aug. 27—as site of the 1977 Parade of Homes of the Greater San Antonio Builders Association—was successful beyond expectations.

For the entire run of the show—through Labor Day—a total of approximately 20,000 visitors had been projected. But 12,500 came the first weekend, and the 20,000 figure was exceeded by Wednesday. By Labor Day night the 30,000 brochures printed for the opening may well have been used up.

The 14 new homes in the show, clustered around the top of Cat Mountain, are the first of a projected 19,500 dwelling units on the San Antonio Ranch in thirty years. Besides the detached single-family residences, 200 townhouse lots have been plotted as well as two apartment sites.

Even so, only 56 per cent of 8,342 acres in the former Lytle Ranch have been planned for residential use. Open space and recreation area has been allotted 24 per cent of the acreage, commercial use 2 per cent, and schools and churches 5 per cent.

When completed, San Antonio Ranch will have brought about

60,000 new residents to Helotes—although most of the publicity about the Ranch and the Parade of Homes carefully omitted the proximity of the site to Helotes. Most of the publicity said the Ranch is “8 miles from Loop 410 on Highway 16” without mentioning Helotes.

A foretaste of the effect on the Helotes area of the development of the Ranch came in the difficulty of crossing Highway 16 in the Helotes vicinity during the first weekend of the show because of the heavily increased traffic on Highway 16.

Puzzling, too, to area residents is the small size of the lots in the first phase of the Ranch development. Each of the 14 homes in the Parade are only a few feet from the neighboring houses. “Of course, nobody wants a yard anymore,” was the usual summation of local reaction.

Owners of San Antonio Ranch development include one financier from Atlanta, one from Charleston, S.C., and one from Dallas. Participating as a general partner “in the southern acreage partnership only” is Red McCombs, San Antonio auto dealer. The Ranch extends south to

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Texas Public Employees Week Observed



San Antonio's Mayor Lila Cockrell, in signing a “Texas Public Employees Week” proclamation for her City recently, noted that as a former State employee she had belonged to Cactus Chapter No. 95. There are 18 Association chapters in the Hemisfair Regional Council. The Association, formed in 1947, to improve public service in Texas has some 6,000 area members.

The Week was observed August 14-20 this year here.

Present for the signing with the Mayor were, left to right, Joseph Benavides, Vice-

President, Alamo Chapter No. 46; Saul Zalaznick, President, Key Chapter No. 123; Malcolm L. Steinberg, State Director, Region VII; James I. Anderson, State Director, Region VIII; Mayor Cockrell; Gary G.C. Johnston, President, Hemisfair Regional Council; Julia B. Scheibe, State Director, Region VIII; Columbus Stutes, President, Mission Chapter No. 12; and Dan McDevitt, President, Hemisfair Chapter No. 133. Stutes is a resident of Grey Forest, Texas.

Grey Forest Airs Budget

The City of Grey Forest unveiled at a public hearing on Sunday, Aug. 28, a proposed city budget for the fiscal year to begin Oct. 1 of \$27,434.

Mayor Ed Faust conducted the

hearing in the Scenic Loop Club building. Councilwoman Margaret Martin presented the budget.

The chief source of income will be property taxes, expected to

bring in \$13,644. The tax rate will be the same as last year, 60 cents per \$100 valuation based on 100 percent valuation. The city uses Bexar County appraisals. Total taxable property in the city is appraised at approximately \$2,400,000, with \$600,000 of this exempt because of the age or disability of the owners.

Other income will be from utility franchises, state sales taxes, and revenue sharing. A projected carry-over of \$5,500 from the budget for the current fiscal year also is counted as income.

Chief expenses will be for road maintenance and improvement—\$12,500—and police protection—\$2,609. EMS (Emergency Medical Service) will cost the city \$1,425 and participation in the new "911" emergency phone system will cost about \$35 for the year.

Councilman Claude Yeager reported the cost of the recent seal-coating of 3 of a mile of Scenic Loop Drive and Park Drive had been \$8,000—\$7,000 from the road fund and \$1,000 from Scenic Loop Club members.

Improvement of these streets will enable school buses this year to drive into the community and make a loop, so that school children will not have to wade the creek to get to the former bus stop in front of the City Hall.

Yeager said he hoped to seal coat another section of the community's internal streets this coming year.

The proposed budget will be voted on by the Grey Forest city council at its next regular meeting, Sept. 20.

Fire Fighter Classes Set

The Continuing Education Division of San Antonio College, in conjunction with the Leon Valley Fire Department, is offering a 178-hour Volunteer Fire Fighter Certification School with the first module beginning in September. Several sections of the fire fighting course will be taught through February 21.

Classes are conducted week night and week ends. Interested personnel can enroll in either the total training program or individual subject matter areas. For further information contact David Surratt, 734-7311, ext. 212.

Free Classes Set In Boating

The San Antonio Power Squadron will conduct free boating classes beginning Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 7:30 p.m., the cafeteria of Roosevelt High School. The classes will continue for ten weeks and are open to all boatmen, prospective boatmen, their wives, and young persons over twelve.

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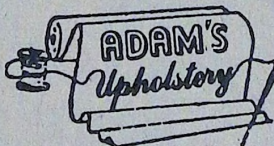
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Lee Reunion To Be Sunday

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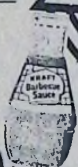
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Helen Padilla and her grand-
son, Eric, who is Rudy Cepeda's
great-grandson, spent three
weeks here before returning to
her home in California.

Guest Editorial: Energy

Many parts of President Carter's energy program are commendable. Measures to improve home insulation are sensible and much needed. Promoting alternate sources of energy is likewise a good thing.

But the keystone of this whole program is to create shortages and then distribute them throughout the country. That cannot work, not in a world where energy supplies seem to be far more abundant than is fashionable to admit, and not in a world where so much is so readily available.

The first question people ask about a war is: against whom are we to fight? The unhappy answer seems to be that in the energy war, we are to fight against ourselves.

—U.S. Rep. Henry B. Gonzales

Kay—Reeves Nuptials Said

United in marriage on Friday evening, Aug. 26, were two young Helotes area residents, Amy Cynthia Reeves, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Reeves of Route 17, and Augie A. Kay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Kay of Grey Forest.

The wedding took place in the Marshall Baptist Church with the Rev. Jerry Reeves of Helotes Baptist Church conducting the service.

Maid of honor was Sandra Shackelford, and the best man and matron of honor were Mr. and Mrs. Scott Holden of Helotes Ranch Acres.

After a reception at Braun Hall, the bride and groom went to Corpus Christi for their wedding trip. They will live in Helotes.

Frankie Logan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Logan of San Geronimo and a 1977 graduate of Marshall, will attend San Antonio College this fall, preparatory to transferring to Texas A&M University for the final two years of his college studies.

Glenn Corbetts Honored At Madla Ranch Party



Kathy and Glenn Corbett, bride and groom, are shown at far left. Standing in front of Glenn is Linda Madla, next to Mrs. Jesse Madla, Sr., her grandmother; and in the center, Mrs. Felix Madla, hostess, with little Susan Madla, in front of Magda Madla, and Felix Madla, host. At far right is David O'Brien, who was in Texas for the wedding.

Honoring a bride and groom and entertaining recently with a Mexican dinner and garden party on the front lawn of their ranch home were Mr. and Mrs. Felix Madla. The occasion—a memorable evening in Helotes—was to honor newly-weds, film and TV actor Glenn Corbett and his bride, Kathy—chosen Miss Liberty Belle during America's Bi-Centennial Celebration.

The honored couple was married recently in San Antonio

at Eisenhower Road Baptist Church.

Among guests enjoying the evening party at Madla Ranch were David O'Brien, a TV star currently appearing on "The Doctors" and better known to his public as Steven Aldrich; Big John Hamilton, movie star and restaurateur, who had a starring role in "The Alamo"; Joe Cominsky, head of transportation at the United Nations; parents of

the bride, Mr. and Mrs. William Glisson; Mrs. Jessie (Aurora) Madla, Sr., and daughter, Miss Janie Madla; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Madla and daughter, Michele; John Caballero, Rosie Reinenger, and Magda, Linda, Susan and John, children of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Madla.

Magda and Linda were candlelighters for the Corbett wedding which took place August 6, 1977.

Hospital Asks Volunteer Help

The Blue Bird Auxiliary to Southwest Texas Methodist Hospital will present orientation classes for new volunteers on Sept. 20-21, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., in the Fifth Floor Auditorium of Methodist Hospital, 7700 Floyd Curl Drive.

Both male and female volunteers are needed to work in the evenings and on weekends and holidays, as well as on weekdays. Areas of service include Information Desk, Gift Shop, Escort Service, Surgery Waiting Room, and Thrift Shop.

For further information, please contact the Blue Bird Office at Methodist Hospital, 696-1200, ext. 3138 or 3139.

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The bank, established in 1974, supplies needs of 55 hospitals in 35 South Texas counties.

Camacho—Algueseva Wed In Catholic Church Here

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church was the setting Saturday, August 13, 1977, for the ceremony in which Miss Barbara Ann Algueseva of Helotes was married to Roland Camacho of San Antonio with Rev. Louis Trawalter officiating. The hour of the Nuptial Mass was 1 p.m.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Algueseva, Jr. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe M. Camacho.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a bridal gown in Tudor princess style, lace-trimmed in daisies. Her illusion veil was attached to a Juliet cap trimmed with pearls and daisies. She carried a crystal bouquet centered with two roses in white.

Her bridesmaids wore lime gowns encrusted with daisies. Each girl carried a bouquet centered with a single rose and also wore white portrait hats.

Serving as the matron of honor was Maria Leos of New Braunfels. The bridesmaids were Carmen Hernandez, Martha Galindo, Dolores Casas, Elodia Algueseva, Jr., Diane Camacho, Becky Garcia, Bulema Leos, Loretta Algueseva, sister of the bride, and Rachel Martinez, Mary Carreon, and Rita Leos.

The maids of honor were Jessica Algueseva, sister of the bride, and Lucy Camacho, sister of the bridegroom.

The flower girl was Beatrice Camacho and the ringbearer was Mario Rodriguez.

The best man was Victor Leos, and the groomsmen were Rosendo Hernandez, Jose Galindo, Robert Esguerra, Robert Algueseva, Jr., Richard Camacho, Richard Leos, Carlos



Mrs. Roland Camacho

Leos, Paul Algueseva III, Robert Vasquez, Ramondo Carreon, Gilbert Leos and Ramiro Sanchez.

Music at the wedding ceremony was played by Magda Madla, at the organ.

Immediately following, a reception was held at the Fun Palace Party House on Culebra Road and included a dance

honoring the couple, with music by Orchestra Sabor. The bride is of a well-known pioneer family here, and the bridegroom also has numerous relatives in this area. In addition, many friends were present for the occasion.

Following a wedding trip, the couple now live in San Antonio. The bridegroom is employed by Morton Southwest, Inc.

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There will be a New Year's Party in September at Floore Country Store on Monday, Sept. 12, when the Helotes Spring Festival Association begins its 1978 year with installation of new officers.

The association sponsors and helps produce the annual Helotes Cornyval held during the first weekend of each May. The 1977 Cornyval drew 100,000 visitors to Helotes during five days of celebration.

Installed as president will be Cled Heathington, of Helotes Park Estates, succeeding Jim Wilson. Four new vice presidents to be installed are Don Belto, Guy Williams, Vivian McMullan, and Jack Brannan. Installed as secretary will be Neva Goodpaster and as treasurer Phyllis Havens. The "party" will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The public is invited to attend and help begin planning the 1978 Cornyval. Membership in the civic non-profit association is open to all residents of greater Helotes—including Helotes, Helotes Ranch Acres, Helotes Park Estates, San Geronimo, Leon Springs, University Hills, Stage Coach Hills, Braun Station, French Creek Village, San Antonio Ranch, Grey Forest, McNeel Park, and all areas in between.

All of the civic, social, fraternal and religious organizations which have booths in the festival are urged to send representatives to the meeting.

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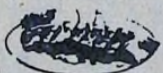


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Garden Club Welcomes New Members

Helotes Hills Garden Club will hold its first meeting of the season on Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 13510 Circle A Trail with Mrs. George Allen and Mrs. Stella Allen as hostesses, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Mrs. Terry Wilbourn, County Extension horticulturist, will speak.

Those interested in attending from the Helotes area are welcome, Mrs. Henry Zumwalt, president, has announced. For information, members and those

wishing to join may call 695-8143 or 695-8354, said Mrs. Charles Laughlin, second vice president. Other officers include Mrs. Fritz Bohne, first vice president, Mrs. Stella Allen, secretary, and Mrs. Joseph Rothrock, treasurer.

The Club is affiliated with the San Antonio Garden Center and the Texas Garden Clubs. It is a

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August Rainfall

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With Hurricane Anita in the Gulf, a threat of rain for this weekend is a possibility. However, August—although not as dry as July—was practically without moisture. According to Henry Brauchle, weather observer here, Helotes had only .9 inch for the entire month, which added to the .4 of July made only 1.3 inches total, or 19.3 inches for all of 1977 so far.

With four months to go for 1977, farmers and ranchers are especially praying for rain. Hay is being fed on the ranges and wildlife grazing is becoming difficult. Last year, September and October were rainy and it could happen again, Brauchle said.

First residents of San Antonio Ranch are Dr. and Mrs. Paul Friedman, who are associated with the medical school at the University of Texas Health Science Center on Fredericksburg Road.

September is the month of anniversaries in Helotes. For instance, the local Post Office which was established in the Stagecoach Inn, after several unofficial years, had the official date September 12, 1873 in the term of President Ulysses S. Grant. The ECHO was first published Sept. 1, 1961—and most schools date their anniversaries from this month. Carl Mueller, incidentally, was the first postmaster and the Stagecoach Inn was on Galm Road, now Farm-to-Market 1560.

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The Department of Housing and Urban Development provided a grant of \$75,000 for the three solar-powered houses in the show.

The U.S. Bureau of Outdoor Recreation has approved a grant of \$318,225 for development of a 20-acre lake and 50-acre park near the entrance to the property.

Currently the projected park area is occupied by a herd of beautiful horses belonging to the U.S. Pentathlon headquarters at Fort Sam Houston. The horses could hardly be improved on.

Dr. Bernard P. Sagik, dean of UTSA's College of Sciences and Mathematics, has been elected to fellowship in the American Academy of Microbiology.

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George Marnoch Dies At 72

George Frederick Marnoch, 72, descendant of an early-day ranching and medical family of Helotes, died Aug. 25 from burn injuries suffered two weeks earlier when a stove he was cleaning caught fire.

He was retired from Kelly Air Force Base, where he was a civil service worker.

He was a son of Dr. Gabriel Marnoch—Helotes physician for 50 years—and grandson of George F. Marnoch, a Scottish surgeon who came to Helotes from Edinburgh, Scotland, about 1845 and built the Marnoch Mansion (now the ECHO office) on Scenic Loop. The mansion was headquarters of a 10,000-acre ranch.

Survivors include Mrs. Laura Davis of Scenic Loop, a sister, and two other sisters in San Antonio, Margaret Biering and Lucy Nipper. A brother, Charlie, lives in Dallas.

His surviving widow is Mrs. Clara M. Marnoch of 522 Freeman. A son, George, and a daughter, Mrs. Carol Corolan, also survive him, as well as one grandchild, Terry Lynn Corolan.

Mr. Marnoch was buried on Monday, Aug. 29, in San Fernando Cemetery following mass at Holy Rosary Catholic Church.

Sympathy is extended to all the relatives and friends of Mr. Marnoch.

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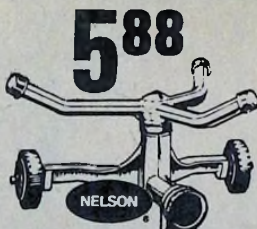
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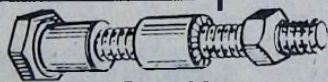
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