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This weekend is the 140th anniversary of that famous morning March 6, 1836, which marked the fall of the Alamo. The courage in the face of odds displayed by the fallen heroes still serves as inspiration to those who would buy time for a better world. Ceremonies will be held in many places to recall the battle fought there.

Hostesses for the recent Women's Club meeting—held on Texas Independence Day—were Miss Marie Parrigin, Mrs. Maurine Biering, and Mrs. Cleo Taylor. Mrs. Martin Terry, president, announced that the Women's Club float theme has been chosen for the Cornyal parade. Mrs. Josephine Wallace, secretary, was absent due to the flu but is reported much better.

The new UTSA Women's Club has an active March agenda, and will meet March 17 for a luncheon in the home of Mrs. William Lindley, 8301 Windway Drive, celebrating St. Patrick's Day at 11 a.m.

The Book Discussion Group of the club has decided to emphasize book reviews and will hear a review by Mrs. Thomas Hester, March 9, of the Bicentennial favorite, THOMAS JEFFERSON, by Fawn Brodie. The meeting will be in the home of Mrs. David Schneider, 3703 Prince Forest, at 9:30 a.m.

Audie Murphy Legion Post 565 is forming an Auxiliary. All ladies 18 and over are invited to attend a membership meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., March 10, at the Colonies House, Colony Drive, Colonies North. Eligibility requirements and dues will be explained.

Steve Trotta, a long-time resident of Helotes, who now resides in Galveston, is recovering from hospitalization where he underwent surgery.

The City Council of Leon Valley has proclaimed March 9 as Pioneer Day. Tuesday at 8 p.m., the Leon Valley Historical Society will honor residents who have lived in Leon Valley since 1906 at the Grange Hall next to John Marshall High School. The public is invited and the Leon Valley area residents are urged to participate, said Karen Petersen, Historical Society reporter.

Faust Announces \$49,000 Watershed Study



Photo by Bill Terry

Explaining the Edwards Aquifer to twins, left to right Lorraine and Lynette Langlinalis, is Robert R. Matthews, P.E., who is assistant general manager of the Edwards Underground Water District. The 17-year-old girls, who are seniors at Marshall, were at the Women's Club meeting to explain their plan to work as nursing aide volunteers with Amigos de los Americas this summer. They also picked up information helpful in high school science classes. Bob Matthews had an interested audience for the movie "The Edwards Story" Tuesday night when the Women's Club met at the Youth Building and a week earlier when the Lion's Club had him as speaker at their dinner at Helotes Inn.

The City of Grey Forest has received a grant for \$36,750.00 from the Environmental Protection Agency, Edwin L. Faust, Mayor of Grey Forest, has announced. This amount, together with a grant of \$11,250.00 from Edward's Underground Water District and \$1,000.00 from the City of Grey Forest will provide funds for the Step One process of a proposed sewer construction program for a portion of the Helotes Creek Watershed. A contract has been made with the engineering firm of W. H. Mullins, Inc. to do the study, which will encompass an economic feasibility study, various alternative plans for sewers for the area, and the impact the sewer construction program would have on the environment.

Study results will provide some facts for the citizens of the area to decide whether to create a Municipal Utility District to construct and operate the system, Faust said. The study should be completed about the first of May, 1976.

Data gathering for the study is already underway and survey crews have been in the area for about a week.

Several community meetings were held last summer studying the sewage problem in the Helotes-Grey Forest area.

If a Municipal Utility District is created, a federal grant may be obtained covering 75 percent of the cost of the sewer construction program. A bill is pending in Congress to cut the federal grant to 60 percent. Because the application is already in and step one approved, the new legislation probably will not cut the percentage available, a spokesman said.

Dean Jones Seeks Re-election As Constable



Dean Jones, Constable, Bexar County, Justice Precinct No. 2.

Constable Dean Jones, age 52, has announced his candidacy for re-election to a sixth term as Constable of Justice, Precinct No. 2, of Bexar County, which includes this area.

He will seek the Democratic renomination in the May primary and has officially opened a centrally located main campaign headquarters at 916 Manor Drive

in San Antonio's Jefferson Village Shopping Center. Other campaign headquarters to the West and North will be opened soon, he said.

Prior to his election in 1956, Dean Jones was chief investigator for the District Attorney's Office under former District Attorney Hubert Green, Jr., and criminal investigator for the Sheriff's Department under the late Sheriff Owen W. Kilday.

Dean Jones is a graduate of seven law enforcement training schools and is an active member of several professional, fraternal, and civic organizations. These include the International Academy of Criminalology. He is also a past State President of the JP and Constable's Association of Texas.

A veteran of more than 8 years military service during World War II and the Korean conflict, Dean Jones was a military criminal investigator and he was chief investigator of the Provost Marshal's office at Lackland Air Force Base.

Several campaign rallies and fund-raising events are being planned and will be announced later.

Constable Dean Jones, in announcing his candidacy, stated, "I am seeking re-election to another term as Constable of Precinct No. 2, proclaiming as an asset the word 'proven' for the 19 years

that I have held this office—proven reliability, proven efficiency, and above all—proven honesty. I shall continue to utilize the 28 years of professional training and experience that I have received in the field of Criminal Investigation and other elements of law enforcement to the best of my ability if given the opportunity by the citizens of this precinct to serve another term as their constable."

Armed Robber Hits Mr. M's

A 20-year-old San Antonio man was arrested Monday night about 7:30 near the Helotes School, two hours after he had held up an attendant at the Mr. M. Food Store in Helotes Park Plaza and taken \$60. The money was recovered and the suspect jailed in lieu of a \$50,000 bond.

Workers at Mr. M said the man had been in the store earlier in the

afternoon and asked for change. He returned about 5:30, asked for cigarettes, and then pointed a .38 calibre pistol at the clerk and told her to "put all the money in a sack."

Police said the man told them he later threw the pistol in Medina Lake. Following the robbery his car had been seen going west on Bandera Highway.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry Contribute Home To PARC Project

Mr. and Mrs. Dennie Berry have donated their spacious home on the grounds of their business, Lawns of Beauty, Bandera Road, to the Helotes Hills Methodist Church to be disassembled and

used as a recreation and civic building on the grounds of the park and recreational center being developed here to be known as PARC.

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Holmes To Host Meeting

The Holmes chapter of Vocational Industrial Clubs of America will host more than 700 students from Area 5 including Austin, San Antonio, and seven counties, in an exhibit and competition meet March 12 and 13.

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The landmark Lockhill School—which served Helotes area children since 1868 until the new school was opened recently—is one of 12 churches, schools, and newspapers depicted in sketches by internationally known Artist Marie Tumlinson. These have been reproduced and are being offered under the sponsorship of the Helotes Optimist Club. According to publicity, these prints represent a \$36 value for only three dollars, and proceeds go to sponsoring sales organizations including PARC, Boy Scout Troop 401, and Helotes Hills United Methodist Church as well as the Optimists. Above is a recent photo of the building. The print, a different view, is on an attractive mat amber stock.

Photo by Bill Terry

Cancer Awareness Program Set

The American Cancer Society, in cooperation with Alpha Rho and Kappa Psi Chapters of Epsilon Sigma Alpha Int'l. Sorority, will conduct a Breast Cancer Awareness Program for women of all ages in the Helotes Area.

It will be held on Saturday, April 3, from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. at the Forest Hills Presbyterian Church on Bandera Road.

Coffee will be served and registration will begin at 9:30 a.m.

All women of the community, from teenagers to grandmothers, are urged to take advantage of this educational and, perhaps, lifesaving program, said Mrs. Kaye Daughtry, publicity chairman.

Softball League Meeting Set

Teams wishing to participate in the Braun Hall summer softball league are asked to attend the organizational meeting at 7 p.m., Monday, March 8, at Braun Hall, located on Braun Road approximately two miles west of Bandera Road.

Items to be discussed at this meeting include entry fees, length of season, and league regulations. Teams interested are asked to send a maximum of two representatives. For further information, call Lawrence Schenk at 684-0232.

Yale Singers In Concert

The Yale Russian Choir will present a concert Friday, March 12, at 8 p.m. in the Trinity University Ruth Taylor Concert Hall. Admission will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for students. Tickets will be available at the door.

UTSA Enrollment Shows Increase

The Spring enrollment at The University of Texas at San Antonio is 4,643, a 4.7 percent increase over the Fall semester enrollment of 4,433.

UTSA President Peter T. Flawn, said that 2,593 undergraduates and 2,050 graduate students are enrolled.

They are taking 38,261 semester hours, an increase of almost 8 percent over the fall semester student load.

UTSA offers classes for juniors, seniors and graduate students. Freshmen and sophomores will attend UTSA for the first time this June.

'Farm Bureau Week' Seeks Members

Farm Bureau Week, proclaimed day, March 6, has launched locally the State-wide drive to enroll 1976 membership—which last year had a total of 180,470 families registered in Texas. Bexar County ended its 1975 year with 1502 members.

Wayne Hofferichter, local county Farm Bureau president, said all 210 county FBs will seek to gain membership for the fourth year in a row.

Membership chairman of this year's drive here is Joe Van DeWalle, Sr. of San Antonio. Clarence Galm of Helotes and Ben Fey are membership captains. Lloyd Benke is also active in the campaign.

Farmers and ranchers need a strong organization to help solve problems in marketing, agricultural public relations, taxation, farm exports, as well as other matters affecting our net incomes, Hofferichter reported.

The drive will continue through Saturday, but those not contacted who wish to join will be able to reach chairmen to join, as active or associate members, by calling the following: Clarence Galm, 688-3041; Lloyd Benke, 688-3255; Van DeWalle Farms, Inc., 433-1471, or President Wayne Hofferichter, 432-0274.

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The wedding is planned for March 27 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church here.

The bride-elect, who is from a pioneer Helotes family, is a graduate of John Marshall High School, and met her fiancé when they both attended summer classes at Oliver Wendell Holmes High School from which he was graduated. She is presently employed at Winn's in Leon Valley, and he works at Jordan Ford in downtown San Antonio.

Diane is the granddaughter of Mrs. Matilda Morales, who was born in this area 83 years ago. Her father, who is a native here also, ranches and is a well-known local contractor and builder. She is one of eight children who include Evangelina (Vangie), Adelina, (Lena), Yolanda, Lawrence, Viola, Bernadette, and Raul, Jr. She is the aunt of a five-year-old niece, Sabina Garcia.

Her fiancé's family included four boys.

The bride-elect was a Miss Helotes candidate in 1973, a member of the Future Homemakers Club of John Marshall, and the Spanish Club there. She was also active in swimming and bike riding groups. On her maternal side, she is descended from the Mena family of the San Jose Mission area.

Her fiancé's maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jose Pedroza and paternal grandfather is Paul Carrillo.

Many festivities are being given for the prospective bride and groom including luncheons and showers.

Gilbert Carrillo and Diane Morales plan wedding in March.

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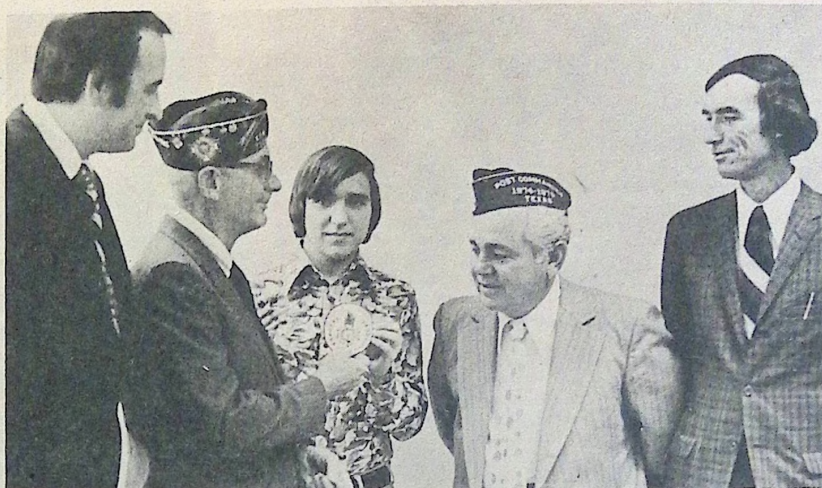
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VFW Winner Named



John Marshall High School Senior Diego Pena, (third from left) son of Mr. and Mrs. Diego Pena Sr., 6111 Forest Bend, is pictured as he receives an award from Kenneth S. Stiles, chairman of the "Voice of Democracy" program for Veterans of Foreign Wars Post Number 7108, Helotes.

Commander of the Post, Mr. Arturo P. Garcia (second from right) looks on.

Also observing the presentation is John F. Turman, Marshall principal, (left) and Mr. Gene Allison, (right) who served as counselor to Diego in developing his winning entry in the 1976 "Voice of Democracy" program. This is the third year Diego has been a winner in this competition which involves developing a 3-to-5 minute narration on a patriotic theme. This year's theme was "What the Bicentennial Means to Me".

The John Marshall senior was further recognized for his outstanding script by 20th District officials at VFW Post 2059, Kirby, Texas.

Seven Seek Election In Grey Forest

When the time for signing up as candidates for mayor and two councilpersons ran out at midnight, Wednesday, March 3, the City of Grey Forest found that all three incumbents are seeking reelection. The mayor had drawn two opponents, while the others were challenged by one candidate each.

According to Mrs. Gretchen Stappenbeck, city secretary, those signing up for the election to be held Saturday, April 3, were:

Mayor Edwin L. Faust, running for his second term, with Agnes Aaron Nelson and Richard P. Kremske seeking the spot. Neither of the challengers has served on the council of Grey Forest in the past.

In the Place 2 slot, challenging Councilperson Margaret Martin, who is running for a second term, is Diane Bray.

The third race is for Place 4. Gary R. Prejean, Sr., who has served on the council under several mayors, is challenged by E. E. Clark, a retired law enforcement officer who has lived on Morningside Drive eight years. His area was annexed to Grey Forest three years ago.

Three other Councilpersons, Ruth Morris, Virginia Springer, and Marion Heisler, will not need to run before next year.

Places on the ballot are to be drawn Monday, March 8, at the City Hall.

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S.A. Art Show Deadline Nears

The San Antonio Art League will sponsor its 46th Annual Exhibition April 4 through May 16 in the Koehler House located on West Ashby Street. The exhibition is open to all residents of San Antonio and the surrounding area within a 60-mile radius. Entry dates are March 18-19.

The Art League has held this show for the past 45 years. All medias are accepted.

Judging the paintings will be Dr. Kenneth Prescott, Chairman of the Department of Art at The University of Texas at Austin. He is also a distinguished art historian and ornithologist.

Judging the crafts section of the exhibit will be Carroll H. Sims, a noted Houston artist, and chairman of the Craft Department at Texas Southern University in Houston.

The Art League will have approximately \$4,000 available to grant in purchase prizes and awards. The Julian Onderdonk Purchase Prize of \$600 will be selected by the judges for the permanent collection of The San Antonio Art League.

A maximum of three entries may be submitted. All work must be delivered to 310 West Ashby on Thursday, March 18, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. or on Friday, March 19, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Entry blanks are available at the San Antonio Art League office at 310 W. Ashby in the Koehler Cultural Center, San Antonio, Texas 78212. For more information write or phone 732-6048.

UTSA Students Assist In Project Outreach



UTSA graduate student Susan Moore interviews Stephen Crenshaw for the Project Outreach survey. Stephen is one of 1,200 handicapped adults who will be interviewed during the project.

Graduate students at the University of Texas at San Antonio will work through May to find handicapped persons who may be eligible for training or agency programs.

Class credit and practical experience will be gained by students attending Dr. Jane Markowitz's special education class in occupation planning. They will help contact more than 1,200 Bexar County adults who are handicapped.

Known as Project Outreach—a survey will be made, sponsored by the United Cerebral Palsy Association, to locate and interview persons with developmental disabilities, such as cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, arthritis, epilepsy, birth defects and mental retardation, according to Dr. Markowitz. First interviews began last week.

"In some cases, these persons contacted may be eligible for training or agency programs," Dr. Markowitz explained. The survey will be continued for nine months, and graduate students from other colleges in the area are also participating.

Funded by the Development Disabilities Services of the Texas Mental Health and Mental Retardation Dept., Project Outreach—a first in Bexar County—hopes to reach at least a third of the estimated 3,700 handicapped adults, counted in a 1973 survey by the Alamo Area Council of Governments. Robert Mazer, executive director of the United Cerebral Palsy Association of San Antonio, said that although millions are spent to educate the handicapped child, he is often forgotten when he turns 18.

The interviews will be on a one-to-one basis and will take a couple of hours in many cases. The graduate students often are already experienced teachers and social services employees who have returned to college, according to Liz Smith, Outreach director.

"Interested persons who may

not be on a survey list may contact the United Cerebral Palsy Office at 349-5267.

Those handicapped interviewees—who are able to develop skills necessary for a lifetime career—will be especially helped by Project Outreach.

Interviewees not served by local agencies will be referred to one of eight community organizations which include The Easter Seal Society, Goodwill Rehabilitation

Services, San Antonio Association for Retarded Citizens, San Antonio Dept. of Parks and Recreation, Bexar County Mental Health and Mental Retardation, San Antonio Epilepsy Association, Texas Rehabilitation Commission, and United Cerebral Palsy.

Some UTSA students hope to continue as volunteers working through the summer to locate and help the county's handicapped adults find a future.

Clay Contest Open To Youths

Entry deadline for the Southwest Craft Center's Third annual clay contest is March 11 through 13.

Pottery, sculpture or wall decorations (fired or unfired) may be entered by students in two categories; grades one through six and seven through 12. Students in all public and private schools in San Antonio and surrounding areas are eligible.

Three winning entries and three honorable mentions will be

selected. Winners will receive a full-tuition scholarship to study ceramics at the SWCC this summer, plus a complete set of ceramics tools and will have all clay, glazes and firing fees paid for the session.

Entries must be brought to the Craft Center, 300 Augusta Street, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. March 11 through 13.

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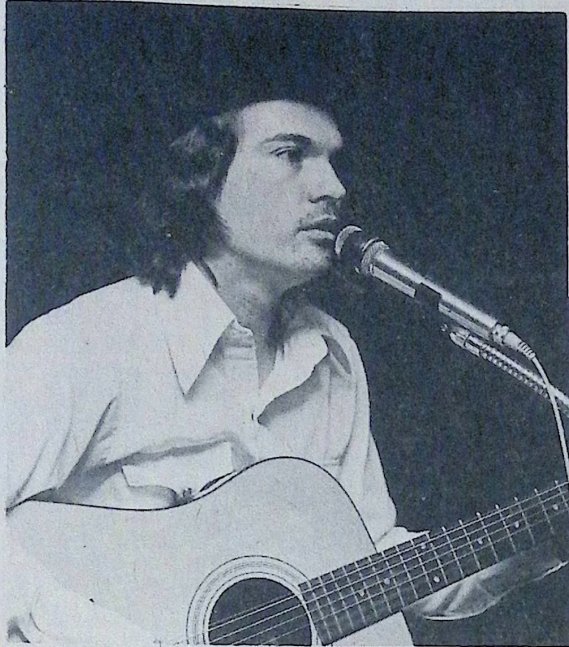


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Darrell Ayres—who grew up in Helotes and later in Leon Valley—is attracting a following as a Country and Western singer. Well-known in Lakehills, he is now appearing week-ends for supper music at Chef John's Loft in Helotes Park Plaza. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rod Ayres. Rod is the founder of the Helotes Art Guild and first president, and has designed floats for the Festival here and Stagecoach Days in Leon Valley as well. Darrell and his brothers have been playing the guitar and absorbing Western and Country music since boyhood.

March 7-13 is Girl Scout Week and the 64th anniversary of this organization in the United States. Local groups will attend the procession from St. Mary's Church in San Antonio to San Fernando Cathedral and attend in the National Flag Pageant festivities.

Mrs. Dorothy Eichner of Wayneville, Ill., has been a houseguest of Mrs. Nadine Hartmann.

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Victor McCammon
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Victor J. McCammon, 79, died at his home in Sinton on February 19, 1976, after a short illness. He is survived by his wife Edna; a son Joe McCammon, San Antonio; a daughter Catherine McCammon, Marble Falls; a brother Henry McCammon, San Antonio; two sisters, Wilma Whitehead, Sinton, and Mary Cunningham, Cibola; and a granddaughter, Melissa McCammon, San Antonio.

Mr. McCammon, his wife Rena, and his daughter Catherine moved to Helotes from San Antonio in 1960. He established McCammon Lumber and Supply on Bandera Road at Scenic Loop. He was a member and past president of the Helotes Lion's Club.

After he and his wife, Rena, divorced in 1968, he moved to Sinton and remarried Edna McCammon. There he was a member of the Sinton post of the VFW.

The funeral was held in Sinton on Saturday, February 21. Interment was at the Sinton Cemetery.

Mr. McCammon and his family made many friends in Helotes where he was active in the business community as well. Sympathy is extended to his survivors at this time of parting.

Death Claims
Irene Davis

Residents of this area attended funeral services in Boerne, Monday, March 1, for Mrs. Irene Perdue Davis who died Saturday, February 28, 1976, in that city. Services were held at St. Helena's Episcopal Church with Rev. George Taylor officiating.

Mrs. Davis, widow of the late Jack B. Davis, was born in Aullville, Missouri, and was married to Mr. Davis in 1932. For 35 years she was a journalist on the family-owned newspaper, The Boerne Star, until she and her husband chose to retire in 1968. Before her marriage she had been a school teacher and spent summers here where she enjoyed a cottage with her mother in Scenic Loop Playground. According to local friends, she was introduced to her husband in the home of famed artist Robert Wood who, with his family, resided in the Playground at the time.

Mrs. Davis was preceded in death by her husband in April, 1970. Among those attending final services from here were longtime friends Mr. and Mrs. Hub Stappenbeck. Sympathy is extended to those in Boerne who will miss her, and to her survivors who include her brother, Horace Perdue of Kansas City, and her nephew, William G. Davis III of Boerne, in addition to an aunt and numerous other nieces and nephews.

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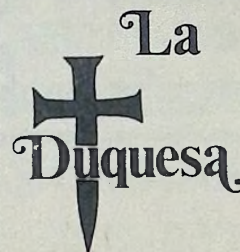
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Pageant To Mark Girl Scout Week

March 7-13 is Girl Scout Week, marking the 64th anniversary of the founding of Girl Scouts of the U. S. A.

In San Antonio, this week will be highlighted by the presentation of "Banners and Brass", the National Flag Pageant from St. Petersburg, Florida, on Friday, March 12, at 7 p.m. at Alamo Stadium, sponsored by the San Antonio Area Girl Scout Council. The general public is invited and tickets may be purchased at the gate for 25 cents.

The 5th U. S. Army Band, 300 flags and Girl Scout marchers will participate. "The National Flag Pageant is more than the story of Old Glory," comments Mrs. W. R. Stevens, Bicentennial Chairman for the Girl Scout Council. "It is a historical tour of the United States via the banners of our country's past." "Banners and Brass" was originally developed in 1970 for the annual St. Petersburg Festival of States. With the approach of the

Bicentennial, the show was expanded and offered to other sections of the country. The presentation in Alamo Stadium marks the first time the Flag Pageant has played in this area.

Another facet of the evening will be the "Flames of Freedom" ceremony which is a candle-lighting ceremony initiated last October at the Girl Scout National Council meeting in Washington, D.C. This ceremony which will involve all of the Girl Scout members in attendance will feature the lighting of candles symbolizing Girl Scouting's pledge that Girl Scouts will carry forward the light of freedom for all people as we enter our nation's third century. Council President, Mrs. Arne Klendshoj, will conduct this part of the evening's festivities.

Members of the Girl Scout Council's local Bicentennial Steering Committee are: Mrs. W. R. Stevens, General Chairman, Mrs. Julius Posey, Mrs. Robert Durr, Mrs. Luella McClain, Mr. Morris Mathieu, Miss Katie Ferguson, Mrs. Myrtle Oefinger, Judge Walter Loughridge, Mrs. John Braubach, Dr. Duane Estes, Mrs. C. H. Grasso, Mrs. Otis Luckman, Dr. Jerome Weynand, Mrs. Nelda Drury, Mrs. Sam Madrid, Mrs. Lois Scott, Mr. O. P. Schnabel, Mrs. Nancy Bohman and Mrs. Arne Klendshoj, Council President.

4th Scot Added To Thunder Team

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS—James Henry, 26-year-old mid-fielder from Dundee, Scotland became the thirteenth player to sign with the San Antonio Thunder for the 1976 season, recently.

Considered one of the top mid-fielders in Scotland, Henry played brilliantly while a member of Dundee United. After four exceptional years he was sold to Aberdeen for 70,000 Pounds (\$150,000).

Henry joins fellow countrymen Jim Forrest, Bobby Clark, and Billy Semple to make four Scots the Thunder will have on the field.

With his wife and two children, Henry will be arriving in San Antonio in the near future.

SAY YOU SAW IT
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New Gallery Here



Photo by Bill Terry

Paul Kime, former president of the Helotes Art Gallery, is opening his own gallery in Helotes on the new Highway 16—Bandera Road—and Floore Street a short distance South of Scenic Loop Road. Shown here is part of his property which will house his studio and gallery. Kime's Western scenes are well-known and the community welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Kime and their children as permanent residents of Helotes. Opening date of the Gallery will be announced after completion of his remodeling, he said.

Macrame Art Class Planned

The Helotes Art Guild is sponsoring a macrame class to be taught by Annabel Porterfield, beginning Tuesday, March 9, to extend over four Tuesday classes. These will be held from 12 noon to 2:30 p.m. and registration fee is \$12. Those wishing to register may call the Helotes Art Gallery afternoons for details at 695-9141.

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Hermann Sons Launch Drive

SAN ANTONIO—Spl.—Local Comfort. Hermann Sons lodge presidents will be honored in a "Presidents' Membership Campaign" that will be conducted in all 160 lodges of the Order of the Sons of Hermann in Texas during the 31 days of March.

At his office in San Antonio, Grand President Henry Riemer noted that the fraternal benefit society was founded on a statewide basis by Texas German pioneers at a convention in San Antonio on March 27, 1890, with the Alamo, cradle of Texas liberty, serving as a background.

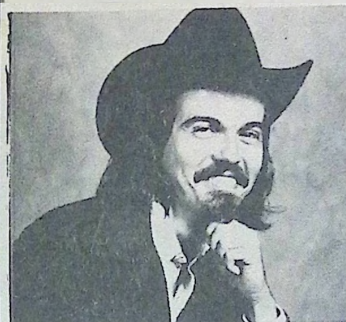
When the Grand Lodge was founded, there were but eight lodges with 242 members. In today's 160 lodges there are some 73,000 members. The first Hermann Sons lodge in the state was established in San Antonio 116 years ago, on January 1, 1860.

Hermann Sons lodges are known for their barbecues, picnics, dances and other fun activities, visits to sick and shut-in members, and for patriotic observances. The Grand Lodge in San Antonio supports free dancing classes for junior members in many communities and a youth summer camp located at Comfort, in the Hill Country, which is partially free for junior members. The Grand Lodge also supports a home for needy, aged members at

Successful participants in the March membership drive will be given special campaign awards by the Grand Lodge.

Grand President Riemer has named Louis Engelke, former Texas newspaperman who is first grand vice-president of the organization, to chair the special campaign effort honoring the local lodge presidents.

The president of Helotes Lodge No. 76, Helotes, is Clifton Lampman, who is leading the local drive for members.



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They are also making other contributions to the work project which will provide Helotes with a center for civic events and youth activities. Special ceremonies are being planned to accept this wonderful offer from the civic-minded couple who plan to build another home in the area soon. The house includes a dishwasher and a 5-ton air-conditioner. They

have also donated concrete.

Those wishing to help with the PARC project may contact the directors, including Rev. Collin Furr, pastor of the Methodist Church.

Northside School Bands Excel

In the Greater Southwest Texas Jazz Festival at Texas A & I University, Kingsville, highest honors were awarded to Holmes, Jay, and Marshall High Schools, February 29.

Stage Band Competition resulted in a first division, Superior Performance Award, for each of Northside ISD's three high school stage bands.

John Jay Stage Band was voted

by judges the Outstanding Festival 4-A Stage Band. Holmes Stage Band was first runner-up.

The annual jazz festival for Texas high school stage bands included 32 Texas groups, 20 of which were in District 4-A.

Individual awards went to Gary Green, Jay, outstanding trumpet; Don Ayers, Jay, outstanding fluegel horn; Danny Jeter, Jay, outstanding drummer and outstanding Festival musician; Jesus Moreno, Holmes, 1st alto saxophone, All-Star Band; DeWitt Burleson, 1st bass trombone, All-Star Band.

It's Dry and Getting Drier

Dry winds in March have augured continuation of a drought which has settled on this area's ranch lands in 1976. According to records kept at Poor Boy Ranch here by Henry Brauchle, local weather expert, only .2 inch of rainfall fell in February, bringing this year's total to .6 of an inch.

The last seven months have totalled a mere 6.8 inches of rain, although 1975 was an average year for rainfall.

Wells are in good condition, except for those shallow ones where pumpage becomes a burden to equipment, one well-man explained.

The City of Grey Forest, as well as much of Boerne, is on the Glen Rose formation

Playland Park To Open

Playland Park officials expect to be seeing double, literally, when the popular amusement center is opened for its 34th season in ceremonies at 4 p.m., Wednesday, March 17.

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