



# HELOTES ECHO

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## Person-to-Person

Henry Brauchle, the Echo weatherman, reports that the Helotes area received 8.2 inches of rain during May. The last .2 fell on May 31. The May total brings the amount received here so far for the year to 21.9 inches.

Run up the flag on Monday, June 14. It will be Flag Day. The National Fraternal Congress of America will conduct a formal observance at a one-room stone schoolhouse at Fredonia, Wis., where Flag Day began on June 14, 1885.

Happy is the news that Mrs. Dade (Helen) Rayfield is recovering from recent surgery and now is convalescing at their home in McNeel Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Komray of Helotes Park Estates returned Thursday from a nine-country tour of Europe. Now their daughter Kathy and her husband are on a European trip.

Take time Saturday to vote in the Democratic primary run-off election. Some important races are still to be settled. Residents in Precinct 241 will vote at Coke Stevenson School, Precinct 245 at Helotes School, Precinct 247 at Leon Springs School, and Precinct 256 at the Marty Machts residence, Bandera Road at Biering Lane.

America has begun the 30-day countdown to its 200th birthday on July 4. We haven't heard anything about how Helotes is going to celebrate the occasion.

Beverly Kruse, junior at Marshall, was the most outstanding FHA student there and was first runner-up in the Make-It-Yourself contest held at Joske's with contestants from 39 counties. It was won by a student from Incarnate Word in San Antonio. Beverly was honored May 20 at the FHA Banquet at San Francisco Steak House.

The first of six plays to be produced during two months in the Ruth Taylor Theater at Trinity University will open June 10.

"Mousetrap" will kick off the summer season at Trinity with a two week run from June 10-19 on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 8:15 p.m. in Attic Two of the Ruth Taylor Theater.

## UNDERCLASSMEN ARRIVE ON CAMPUS

### RAM BANDATHON SETS RECORD

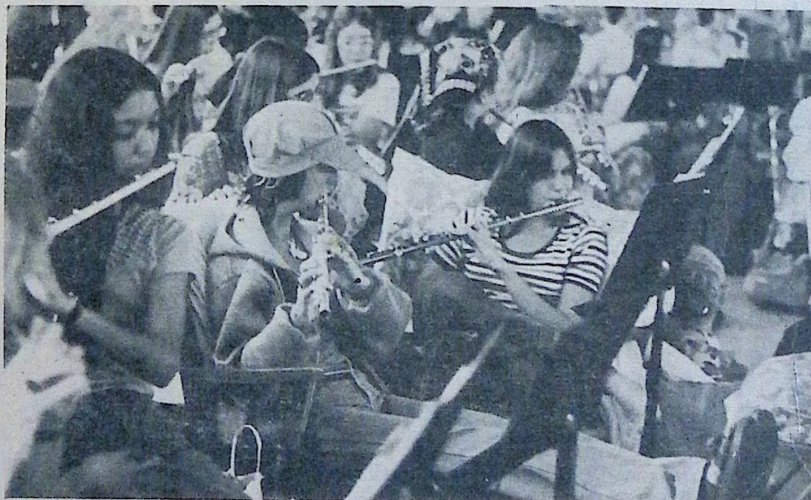


Photos by Bill Terry

Ram Band Director Charles Kuentz keeps the California-bound Rams in tune late on Tuesday afternoon as they shoot for the World Record in continuous playing at the Bandathon at Wonderland. They began at 11 a.m., Sunday, May 31, and didn't stop until 52 hours later at 3 p.m. June 2.



Here players rest a little but they are determined to beat the two records—the official one and an unofficial one of 50 hours.



The music is sweet as word is out that \$20,000 was raised, making the \$50,000 goal within reach. Boosters from Helotes were in full force throughout.

### UTSA Enrolls 3600 For Summer School

About 3600 students have enrolled in summer classes which began Wednesday, June 2, at The University of Texas at San Antonio.

Attending are the University's first freshmen and sophomores, as well as juniors, seniors and graduate students.

Dr. Tomas Rivera, UTSA Vice President for Administration, announced the preliminary enrollment figure Wednesday.

"We have looked forward to this day," he said. The addition of freshmen and sophomores will change the student composition greatly, he added.

Late registration began Wednesday, June 2.

Marshall graduates as well as those from other Northside schools are among the first freshmen who will be able to complete a full academic course in undergraduate and graduate levels at UTSA.

### UTSA NOW HAS ALL LEVELS

Freshmen and sophomores attended classes at The University of Texas at San Antonio for the first time Wednesday, June 2. UTSA was established by the Texas Legislature seven years ago, and now has classes at all levels of college.

Last Wednesday also marked the opening of the new John Peace Library. Previously students had access to the University's 350,000 volumes through a temporary library set up in the gymnasium.

First classes were held in the new 66,000 square-foot Arts Building, June 2 also.

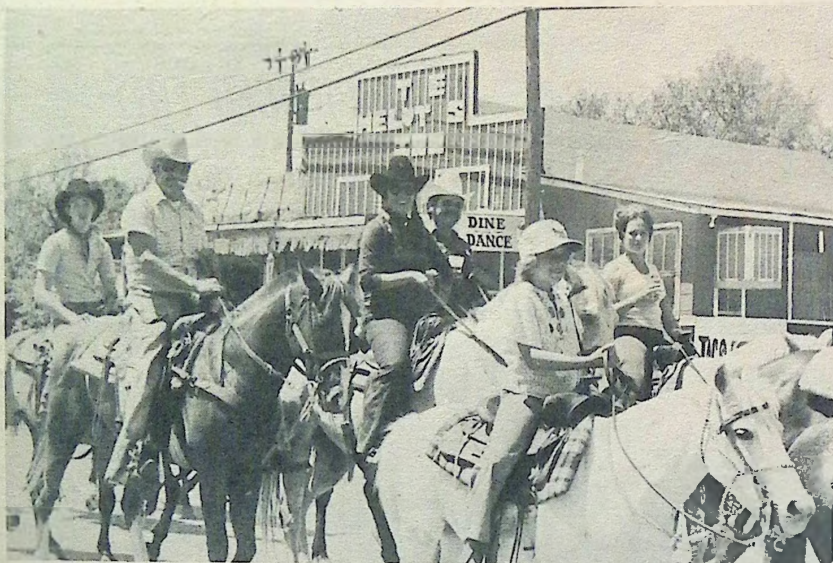
More than 700 classes in 40 disciplines will be offered during the summer sessions.

The 12-week, nine-week and first six-week summer terms began Wednesday. Classes are scheduled from 7:30 a.m. to 9:40 p.m. The second six-week summer term begins July 13.

A meeting to organize a local chapter of the National Society for Autistic Children will be held at 7 p.m., Tuesday, June 8, at the Activities Center of the San Antonio Children's Center, 2939 W. Woodlawn Ave.



## Bandera Regulars Ride Again



The Bandera Regulars ride through Helotes Saturday, May 31, on their way to a stop at Floore Country Store before going to San Geronimo for a barbecue and dance at Pete's Place. Their destination was Bandera, for Fun-Tier Days Memorial Day weekend.



As in times long ago, the Trailriders took their horses to Helotes Creek for a drink of water before hitting the trail.



A modern touch on the trail includes motorized units in addition to traditional wagons drawn by horses. Here Trail Boss Jack Mixson, president, and Assistant Trail Boss Don Park, standing, check log inside a modern Dodge Travco van.

A Junior Girl Scout Workshop on the Indian Lore Badge at San Pedro Library will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on June 7, 9, 14, and 16. All Junior Girl Scouts wanting more information or to register, can call the San Pedro Library, 733-1454.

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Helotes Women's Club Tuesday, June 2, awarded two checks of \$100 each to Lynette and Lorraine Langlins, twins, who will use the proceeds in a summer program in Honduras as nursing aides. The program is sponsored by Amigos de los Americas. Lynette, second from left, accepted both checks. Her twin sister was taking part, at the time, in the Marshall Bandathon. Shown with her is her mother, far left, Mrs. Raymond Langlins. To her right are Mrs. Margie Hopf, in charge of the award committee of the Club, and far right, Mrs. Martin Terry, this year's Women's Club President.

Photo by Bill Terry



Photo by Bill Terry

In a candlelight ceremony, conducted by Mrs. Margaret Terry, next year's Women's Club officers were inducted Tuesday night at the club's covered dish supper held at the Youth Building. Left to right are Secretary, Bertha Kempf; Treasurer, Avonelle Matthews; Vice President, Beth Goeringer; and President, Lucy Brown.

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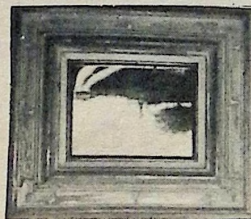
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Ralph Swift, chairman of the temporary board of the proposed MUD, speaks to an interested group of citizens and engineers at a called meeting last Tuesday at Floore Country Store.

general contractor and longtime Helotes resident, and also included Clarence Galm, Henry Brauchle, Gene Carter, and Mr. and Mrs. Newton Evans.

Representing the acting board of directors were Ralph Swift, chairman, and Bob Cage, Al Cody, and T.M. Edwards. Not present were Jerry Adams and O.V. Whetstone. Mayor Ed Faust of Grey Forest also attended.

Galm chaired the meeting and Barham was chief spokesman for the opposition group. They had planned the meeting, at Floore Country Store, as an "invited" (closed) meeting between the two groups only. Permitted to stay as guests, however, were Col. John D. Smith of Helotes Park Estates and Project Consulting Engineer



Ross Barham, right, a civic leader, who called the June 2 citizen meeting to consider the proposed sewer system for the Helotes area, here listens to Grey Forest Mayor Ed Faust.

Bill Mullins and two of his staff. Edwards stated that just because he was on the temporary board of directors did not necessarily mean that he was for the utility district. He and other board members were still seeking information on it before making up their minds, he said.

Barham read from a long prepared statement, beginning by saying that after the May 17 public hearing on the project he felt more study was needed.

He criticized the project first because of its cost (4.4 million, of which \$3.3 million would be a federal grant and \$1.1 million a bonded indebtedness of the community that would have to be paid through profits from the system or new taxes levied by the MUD). Additional property taxes might result if taxing officials decide local property values have been increased by the sewer system when built.

"It would be immoral to put this burden on our people on top of their present tax burden," he said. "Land owners should be protected. The cost of the proposed system is so great that even with a 75 percent federal grant it is not merited."

Second, Barham questioned the ability of the system to pay for itself. He estimated annual operating charges at \$110,166 per

year and annual receipts at \$110,040 (761 projected users at \$12.40 per month).

Engineer Mullins said the charge of \$12.40 was for single-family residences only, and larger users would pay higher rates. Also the number of users is supposed to rise from 761 to more than 2,000.

Third, Barham said septic tanks when installed correctly are entirely satisfactory in the Helotes area, even on small plots, and make a sewer system unnecessary. "Our problem is not in handling sewage but in handling politicians and ecologists," he said.

He also questioned the environmental desirability of pumping large quantities of water (as sewerage) out of the Helotes area because of the possible bad

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## Landowners Voice Sewer Opposition

By C.O. Brown

Six area residents opposed to the formation of a Helotes Creek watershed municipal utility district to build a local sewerage system found their opposition modified after a meeting Tuesday night with members of the temporary board of directors of the proposed district.

The group of opponents was headed by Ross Barham, retired

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## SEWER OPPOSITION

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effect on plant and animal life. Mullins said the amount to be pumped out in a year would be about equal to the amount in a 2-inch rainfall.

Swift polled the opponent group toward the end of the meeting and got these responses:

Darter: "I opposed it before I came here, but I've changed my mind a little—I know more about the project."

Galm: "I'm on the dividing line now. I can't say if I'm for or against it."

Bauchle: "I'm going to sleep on it."

Mr. Evans: "I mostly wanted to know what kind of a bill we're going to have to pay."

Mrs. Evans: "We didn't know if we were even in the district until tonight—and the home owners in our subdivision still don't know."

Barham: "I feel that the project is not feasible or needed at this time."

Mayor Faust said: "Nobody is committed yet. We'll have to have two elections—one to approve the project and one to approve the bonds—before we really are started. All we've done so far is have a feasibility study made—for which we got grants—at a cost of \$42,000."

Barham: "If you had talked to a couple of oldtimers around here, you could have got a feasibility study for nothing."

## Hermann Sons

## Plan Picnic

Eight-ounce ribeye steak dinners at two dollars per plate will be the feature of the annual fund-raising picnic of Anton Wenzel Hermann Sons Lodge No. 174 and Pershing Hermann Sons Lodge No. 160 from 12 noon until 3 p.m. Sunday, June 27, at Comanche Park.

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Deadline for junior golfers from Helotes, Leon Valley, San Antonio, and the surrounding area to register for the eighth annual Insurance Youth Classic is Friday, June 11.

Al Bielser, tournament director for the sponsoring Independent Insurance Agents of San Antonio, said 39 golfers from 19 area schools already are entered in the 18-hole qualifying round to be played Friday, June 18 at Woodlake Golf and Country Club.

The youngsters, who must not have reached their 18th birthday prior to August 17, will be competing for a minimum of five slots on the San Antonio team to be entered in the State IYC tourney at Austin, July 12-13.

San Antonio's qualifiers will compete against golfers from a dozen other Texas cities to determine who will go on to the 72-hole national championship set for Reston, Va., August 13-17.

The national tournament features 20 touring professional golfers in action alongside 150 of the nation's best junior golfers. The pros, whose scores are tallied separately from the juniors, will be playing for \$50,000 in prize money.

## Signets

THE SIGNETS, a national champion synchronized swimming team, will be performing at the Thunderbird Hills Swim Club, across from Holmes High School on Ingram Road, on June 8, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$1.25 for adults and 75c for children 12 and under.

All proceeds from the program will go to the Signets to finance a tour to Europe and Czechoslovakia this summer.

If any further information is needed, call Mrs. Frankie Campbell at 684-3787 or 684-9895.

## Fire Dept. Elections Close June 5

It's election time for new Fire Dept. officials who will serve two-year terms. Ballots are in the mail.

All votes for new officers of the Helotes Area Volunteer Fire Department must be returned by Saturday, June 5. Balloting by mail opened May 18, with the following names offered as candidates: For president, Collin Furr, incumbent, and Bob Walz; For secretary, Milton Shields, and

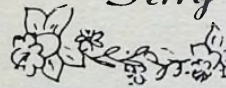
Rossiter Melton. For two directors, Martin Terry, Ray Garrison, John Widner, and Duane Spiess.

The nominating committee included John Nelson, Kenneth Stiles, and Jack Ramsey.

According to Wayne Chauffe, Fire Chief, tabulation and notification of election will take place Tuesday, June 8, at 7 p.m. and all members are invited to attend. New officers will assume their duties July 1.

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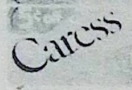
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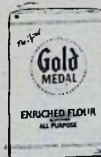
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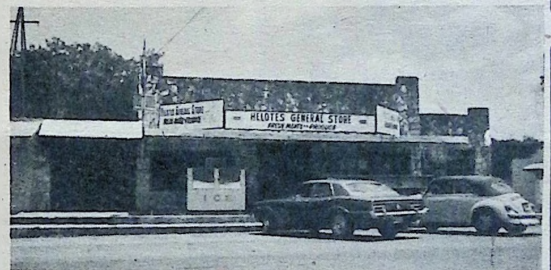
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Dues are \$100 per year. To each widow of a fireman or police officer the club gives a check for \$1,000., and for each surviving minor child \$100 is put in an education trust fund each year at Christmas till the age of 18.

Since the club was organized in 1973, five police officers and three firemen have died in the line of duty, leaving 17 minor children.

New officers are John T. Steen, president; Paul Herder, vice president; Mrs. Arthur S. Bennett, secretary; and Terry Black, treasurer. Persons grateful for protection they enjoy from fire and police departments throughout Bexar County are invited to contact Mrs. Bennett, 824-3020, about becoming members.

## North Expressway Partly Open

The first section of San Antonio's long-delayed North Expressway was opened last week between Loop 410 at the airport entrance and Jones-Maltsberger Road, 1.6 miles south of Loop 410.

Southbound traffic coming from the airport or Loop 410 can enter the North Expressway at Airport Boulevard. They will exit at Jones-Maltsberger where they may turn north, or they may also turn left and head south through the Olmos Basin toward downtown San Antonio.

The next section of the North Expressway, to open will extend from Pearl Parkway to the Mulberry-St. Mary's interchange area. This opening is scheduled for later in the summer.

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## Loners Rally In Oklahoma

Delores Brookes recently returned to her home here after attending the LONERS ON WHEELS International rally at Tenkiller State Park near Muskogee, Oklahoma. One hundred and seventy-one members were there from 27 states.

More than half of the Loners are retired, and many live full time in their recreational vehicles. This was the fifth spring rally in Oklahoma and they voted to return in May next year. The Winter rally will be at Fiesta Park at Harlingen, Texas, in January.

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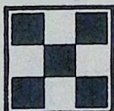
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## Water District Discusses Policy

SAN ANTONIO—Spl.—A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Edwards Underground Water District was held at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 3, in the meeting room in the Tower Life Building, with William H. Spice Jr., chairman.

EUWD policy on the Texas Water Quality Board's proposal to modify Order No. 75-0128-20, dealing with the Edwards aquifer, was to be discussed.

The board also considered a contract with Jack Finger on rights-of-way needed for construction of a recharge dam on the Finger property on Verde Creek in Medina County.

The board considered renewal of the Concan Permit, a request for a copy of a no-longer-used 1968 film to be placed in the New Braunfels Museum, and donation of a relief model of the EUWD to the San Antonio City Water Board for incorporation in its water museum.

The directors were scheduled to discuss a motion tabled at the April 13 meeting concerning payment for construction of additional monitoring wells.

Seating of a newly appointed director on the board, J.R. Carnes of Uvalde County, was also on the agenda. Carnes would fill the unexpired two years of the term of M.A. Rambie, who was one of the original directors, serving since the EUWD's formation in 1959.

The EUWD board consists of three directors from each of the five counties of Uvalde, Medina, Bexar, Comal and Hays.

Texas Water Quality Board has given notice that a public hearing will be held at 10 a.m. June 17 in the Uvalde Civic Center to consider revision of its Order No. 75-0128-20.

## Marianist Sets

### Art Exhibit

ECHO readers are invited to attend an exhibit of paintings, batiks, watercolors, and other works of art by Bro. Cletus Behlmann, S.M., at Our Lady of the Pillar Center, 2507 NW 36th St. (off Hillcrest) on Wednesday and Thursday, June 16-17, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission will be free.

Bro. Cletus is a member of the religious order which operates St. Mary's University in San Antonio and Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Helotes.

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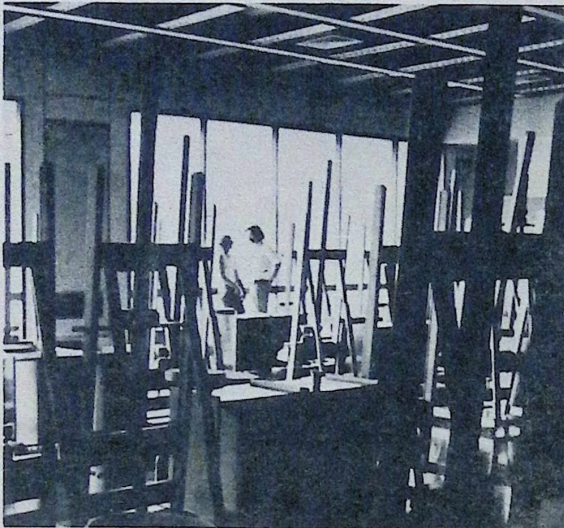


Photo by Gil Barrera

UTSA students visit in an art studio in the new \$2.4 million Arts Building, which opened for classes Wednesday, June 2.

UTSA art and music students attended the first classes in the new \$2.4 million Arts Building Wednesday, June 2, as freshmen and sophomores arrived on campus. Construction began in 1972 and was completed in December, 1975. Located on the southeast corner of the University's central plaza,

the four-level building contains 66,000 square feet.

It has classrooms, faculty and administrative offices, rehearsal hall, practice rooms, voice and instrumental studios, electric piano laboratory, slide library and art studios.

Charles Field, Acting Director of the Division of Art, commented, "I am especially pleased with the drawing, painting and graduate studios which have ample space, large windows and high ceilings. The student will have a sense of light and space in these rooms."

Bachelor of Fine Arts and Master of Fine Arts degrees are offered in painting, drawing, sculpture, photography and printmaking. Ceramics and jewelrymaking will be added in 1977.

Dr. Jacinto Quirarte, Dean of the College of Fine and Applied Arts, said that plans are under way to implement a program in architectural studies—possibly in 1977. The five-year program would lead to the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree.

"Within the next several years we hope to bring historians, artists and craftsmen from Latin America and Mexico on a visiting basis," Dr. Quirarte said.

### ART SURVEY PLANNED

A survey course on art of the Americas is among art courses which UTSA will offer in the fall. The course includes one semester on pre-Columbian art and architecture and another on art from the European colonial period to the present.

The history of photography, history of the silent film era, and the arts of vision and sound, will also be offered in the fall. A number of art courses are open to non-art majors.

UTSA's music program emphasizes both teaching and performing.

Dr. Gordon H. Lamb, Director of the Division of Music, noted that UTSA choral ensembles include the Chamber Chorale, founded in 1974, and the Concert Choir and Madrigal Singers, founded in 1975.

"A wind ensemble, symphonic band, jazz ensemble and chamber orchestra will be organized this fall," he said.

"The music ensembles represent the entire University and are composed of students from all disciplines," Dr. Lamb said. "Interested students may audition during fall registration."

### ARTS ANNEX NEXT

Because UTSA's art and music programs are expected to grow rapidly, plans are under way for an addition to the Arts Building and for an arts annex on the northwest side of the campus.

The annex will house sculpture and ceramics studios, a shop for working with wood, metal and plastics, and a foundry for bronze and other metal casting. The annex is expected to be in use by the fall, 1977 semester.

Construction on the Arts Building addition is expected to begin in early 1977 and to be completed in 1979. The addition will include music classrooms, choral and band rehearsal halls, voice, piano and instrumental studios, electronic music studio, practice rooms, music performance library, recital hall and art gallery with an outside exhibit

area for sculpture.

Cost of the Arts Building addition and annex will be about \$3.5 million. The funds were appropriated by the Texas Legislature in 1975.

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