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Person-to-Person

Jan Jones, who made the Dean's List at Texas A&M University this Spring, will be home for a visit to see her friends and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jap Jones, before returning to College Station for summer school. She is a junior and plans to complete a degree in accounting.

Mrs. James Logan was honored at an informal birthday party on the terrace of her home on Logan Ranch near San Geronimo, Saturday evening, May 14. Hosts were her husband, Jimmy, and four of their six sons. Guests included a dozen close neighbors and friends. A buffet supper was served.

The San Antonio Ceramic Art Assn., Inc., will present its 16th annual Ceramic Show at Villita Assembly Hall, June 10, 11 and 12. It is the biggest ceramic show in Texas and benefits the San Antonio State Hospital. For more information, call Frances Dyer, 695-3243.

For hundreds of Northside School District families who have graduating seniors in Marshall, Holmes or Jay High Schools, next week will bring the important milestone of commencement. Graduation exercises for Marshall seniors will be held Thursday night, May 26, for Holmes students Friday night, May 27, and for Jay students Wednesday night, May 25. All three will be held in the Northside Stadium beginning at 7:30 p.m.

For outstanding achievement during the past year, the public relations department of Bexar County Hospital District in San Antonio has been presented the coveted "Broken Pencil" award from the Texas Society for Hospital Public Relations. John Henry is the director of the hospital district's public relations department.

The public is invited to see the Moody Institute of Science film, "Empty Cities," at 6 p.m. Sunday, May 22, at the Salvation Army Citadel, 110 McCullough at Elm. Empty Cities explores the jungle-covered remains of cities with such exotic names as Chichen Itza, Tikal, Macchu Picchu, and Uxmal in Mexico, Guatemala and the Peruvian Andes.

Westfall Branch Library is displaying works of watercolorist Joyce Ly Barger of Fredericksburg for the month of May.

FAUST ENTERS ENERGY DEBATE

Students Rate Money High

Much ado about what today's teenagers are thinking these days has prompted Northside School District leaders to find out

Six thousand Northside high school students have been asked to rank their "concerns," given 60 choices.

Asked to respond honestly in ranking statements as representing their "primary concern," "some concern" or "no concern," students overwhelmingly selected "to earn more money" as their first concern.

Second main concern of students, polled in all high school English classes, was "to save money for the things I need."

Interestingly enough, the first and second concerns were the only two items dealing with money in the 60 choices given.

Other concerns of Northside young people, listed in order of importance, were (3) "to set goals so I can stop drifting along with no particular purpose in life," (4) "to be more skillful in making decisions and solving problems," (5) "to have at least one person I can be close with."

Out of sixty concerns listed, questions about drugs and alcohol were included as the two statements of least concern.

Only six per cent cited "to overcome my problem with drinking alcohol" of primary concern to them. Seven per cent said "to overcome a drug problem" concerned them, and 13 per cent said "to know what to do when I am with others who drink liquor" was important.

UTSA Student Leaders



New UTSA Student Representative Assembly officers plan for the fall semester. Steve Linahan (right), 10111 Carolwood, was elected president of the assembly. Sherry Gillespie, 6214 Fort Maddin, will serve as vice president, and Gerald Flores, 427 W. Hermosa, is the assembly's new parliamentarian.

District 45 Voters Prefer Presidential Primary

A survey of registered voters in Legislative District 45 reveals overwhelming support for continuation of a presidential primary in Texas.

Representative Don Rains of San Marcos, distributed the questionnaire to constituents in Bandera, Blanco, Northwest Bexar, Hays, Frio, Kendall, and Medina Counties. He reports enthusiastic response and will use the opinions to help him formulate decisions on important proposals.

The returns show that 78 per

cent of the people who want a presidential primary support the awarding of delegates in direct proportion to the percentage of the statewide vote.

SURPLUS FUNDS

When asked how state surplus funds should be utilized, voters selected four priorities; 30 per cent wanted to invest the surplus to meet future revenue shortages, 23 per cent wanted to increase the state's share of the funding of the basic public school program, 18 per cent chose to increase teacher salaries, and 10 per cent supported an increase in funds for highways and transportation. The other 19 per cent of the voters chose a variety of alternatives.

Tabulations also indicated that 62 per cent of the responses want to legalize parimutuel betting on horseracing.

Regarding the ad valorem tax situation in Texas, a majority, 56 per cent, want property to be valued the same by all taxing authorities. However, 77 per cent of the people prefer that property be valued by local taxing authorities rather than by the state. Ninety-two percent expressed a desire to minimize property taxes by either decreasing or retaining present reliance. Only 8 per cent want reliance increased. Also, 68 per cent prefer to tax agricultural land according to its capacity to produce.

INHERITANCE TAXES

Some 81 per cent also showed strong support for reforming the state inheritance tax by increasing exemptions.

Opposition was voiced for both

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Grey Forest Mayor Talks In Congress

Grey Forest Utilities made news both on the state and national level during the past two weeks.

In Washington Mayor Ed Faust of Grey Forest appeared before the Energy and Power Subcommittee of the U.S. House of Representatives and told the subcommittee members "it was time to hear the other side" of the story about the price of natural gas. He had been just preceded in the witness chair by Gov. Dolph Briscoe, who, according to the Associated Press, "delivered his customary plea for regulation of gas prices."

Faust said the uncontrolled intrastate market in Texas has caused severe hardships on consumers as prices have risen to more than \$2 per thousand cubic feet. He asked for controls based on production cost of gas plus a fair profit.

The New Mexico legislature has just pegged the price within New Mexico at \$1.75.

Faust told the subcommittee that political leaders like Briscoe "speak for the oil and gas industry only."

His remarks on the need for controls on intrastate gas were echoed by Lane Denton, of the Texas Farmers Union, also appearing before the subcommittee.

Meanwhile, back at the Texas Legislature in Austin, Rep. Don Rains was leading a successful battle this week for a bill to draw a dividing line between the territory in northwest Bexar County to be served by Grey Forest Utilities and by the natural gas lines of San Antonio's City Public Service.

Grey Forest has sought an agreement with the City Public Service over this problem for several years.

Rains' bill would give Grey

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Ram Band To Play

The public is invited to attend a free "Thank You, San Antonio" Concert, Saturday May 21, at 7 p.m. in Brackenridge Park's Sunken Garden Theatre by the John Marshall High School Ram Band.

The award-winning band, which depended largely on the support of local citizens to make their appearance in the 1977 Pasadena Rose Bowl Parade, will perform 375-strong and in ensemble.

John Marshall's Ram Band is conducted by Charles Kuentz.

Rock-A-Thon Raises \$500



Four of the thirteen teenagers who rocked, rocked, rocked in a 24-hour rocking chair marathon recently to raise money to go to camp are Cindy Phelps, left, Pam Gass, Melanie Evetts and Nancy Gass. All are members of the Luther League of Zion Lutheran Church, where the rock-a-thon was held. It began Friday, May 6, at 4:30 p.m., and ended Saturday, May 7, at the same hour. The group raised \$500 by taking hourly pledges from friends, teachers and sponsors. Other rockers who survived were Joi Harris, Kirsten Brekken, Lisa Bendele, Becky Steubling, Janet Ligon, Beverly Wendt, Jack Galland, Jim Galland, and Arland Galm.

Photo by William Terry

A new citizen of Grey Forest is Meredith Devona Medina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Medina of Scenic Loop Dr. Meredith was born April 12 at Santa Rosa Hospital and weighed 6 pounds 11 ounces. Her paternal

grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gus Medina of Leon Springs, and her maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Hector Macias of Leon Valley and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Uriaga of San Antonio. Meredith's brother, Richard, Jr., is a student at Helotes School.

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Hill Names Two Women To High State Boards



AUSTIN—Attorney General John Hill, who appointed Liz Carpenter (L.) of Austin and Ruth Forbis Kirby of Littlefield to the Board for Lease of State Park Lands and the State School Land Board, respectively, discusses with them a new book on Texas women in politics.

AUSTIN—"Everything women become part of has been made better because of them," Attorney General John L. Hill said last Thursday when he announced his appointments of two distinguished Texas women to important state boards.

Hill appointed Mrs. Ruth Forbis Kirby, Littlefield attorney, to the State School Land Board, and named Liz Carpenter, nationally prominent journalist now residing in Austin, to the Board

for Lease of State Park Lands.

"While I consider myself a pretty good talent-hunter," Hill remarked, "I have learned that my choices for the two state boards already have been 'discovered' by experts on the economy. Both will be featured speakers when Southern Methodist University presents the Southwestern Assembly on 'Women and the American Economy,' May 23-25."

Mrs. Carpenter will be on the three-person board (with Land Commissioner Bob Armstrong and Parks & Wildlife Chairman Pearce Johnson) which produced \$37.8 million of the Parks & Wildlife Department's current budget through lease earnings. A recipient of the University of

Texas' Distinguished Alumnae Award, Liz worked with her late husband, Les Carpenter, in their Washington news bureau prior to joining the staff of the late President Lyndon B. Johnson. She served on the National Parks Advisory Committee and was coordinator for the L.B.J. Memorial Grove on the Potomac, a national monument, in addition to coordinating parks and beautification projects of Mrs. Johnson.

The 56-year-old native of Salado, is a consultant to the L.B.J. Library, a columnist, and a contributor to many magazines.

Ruth Kirby, the 54-year-old wife of Littlefield Lawyer Jerome W. Kirby, earned a B.A. degree from the University of Texas in 1943, then taught school and worked as a law office secretary for many years. She was graduated from Texas Tech School of Law in 1970 with highest honors.

She taught property law and administrative law procedures at Tech from 1971 to 1975, then was appointed County Judge of Lamb County in January, 1976.

The State School Land Board is a major contributor to the Permanent School Fund through royalties and interests earned on mineral leases. During the fiscal year which ended Aug. 31, the Board earned \$137,291,474 for the School Fund—including about \$32 million from in-kind contracts which resulted from a suit brought by Hill against 26 leasing gas producers.

As of April 30, the Fund amounted to \$1.4 billion.

Appointed To Committee



Dr. Pat Burr, UTSA assistant professor of marketing, has been appointed to an advisory committee of the United States Food and Drug Administration as a consumer representative. The committee will review products manufactured by companies regulated by the FDA to insure that they meet FDA guidelines. Dr. Burr's government experience includes working in the Carter-Mondale Transition Office.

Offers New Film

"Transportation - America's Lifelines," a newly-released film which traces the history of transportation from primitive times to the present is now available from the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation. Highway, rail, air and pipeline transport are examined with regard to their impact upon human progress.

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That awful huge orange tank to the west of town certainly is not a pleasant thing to view. It ruins the picturesqueness of the entire landscape. I'm sure the owners of the houses atop the hill on the opposite side of the highway feel like selling out now that their view has been ruined.

Helotes is fast losing its renowned character.

Sincerely,
Annette Kalka

Dear Annette:

It was with deepest appreciation that we received your letter expressing your concern about the changes taking place around Helotes. Your view is one that is held by most of the Helotes area residents. We are doing what we can to retain the character of Helotes, but since it is not an incorporated city and has no elected officials nor legal status, we are severely limited in our efforts. The survival of Helotes depends mainly on the feelings of the people of our area who, whether they live in Helotes Park, Gray Forest, McNeel Park, etc., refer to Helotes as where they live. We are currently circulating petitions to the telephone company to keep them from stopping the Helotes telephone book. The school district considered closing our school, but after several meetings with local residents, they decided to remodel and add on to our present building.

The water tank mentioned in your letter is indeed an eyesore in its present form. We hope that it will be painted to blend in with the landscape. A drive to see that this is done is being started, and you should be able to read about it in the Helotes Echo. This tank belongs to the City of San Antonio, and will be utilized to supply water to San Antonio Ranch Town. Ranch Town is the reason you see the new roads being cut through the hills.

Thanking you again for your concern, I remain

Sincerely yours,
James F. Wilson, President
Helotes Spring Festival Association

Russ Warren Shows Painting

Russ Warren, 18418 Scenic Loop, is exhibiting paintings and prints at the San Antonio Museum of Modern Art through the end of May. Russ is a graduate student at UTSA.

The museum, located at 531 W. Woodlawn, is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday through Sunday.

Medina Lake Bass



Gary Haby of San Antonio caught this 7½ pound black bass at Medina Lake on May 8. He was fishing with a Torpedo lure. Helping him display it is his daughter, 3-year-old Shannon. Although it was Mother's Day when he was fishing, it was all right because his wife Robbie was with him. Robbie is the daughter of Bob and Grace Hughey of Grey Forest.

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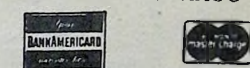
The Glen Oaks chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons will meet Tuesday, May 24, at Hope Lutheran Church, 5714

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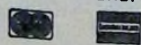
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Anyone interested in working as a day camp volunteer staff member, or anyone wishing further information about day camps for girls may contact Verna Tudyk at 227-6146.

Recharge Dam To Be Built

Bids will be opened May 26 for the Middle Verde Creek Recharge Dam of the Edwards Underground Water District on FM 173 nine miles north of Hondo. The dam will be in the \$200,000 to \$300,000 price range.

Twenty feet high and 360 feet long, it will be a rock-filled, concrete-faced structure. Its purpose will be to help recharge the Edwards Aquifer.

Alpha Rho here was among the groups and persons who nominated Roxie Noyes as a Top Teen in the recent county-wide contest. She was one of 10 finalists. Roxie attends Marshall and resides in Helotes Park Estates.

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Forest Utilities exclusive service rights in the area north of FM 1604 between Interstate 10 at its junction with Camp Bullis Road and Bandera Highway (except for a few lines already laid in the Kuper development north of 1604 opposite the University of Texas at San Antonio).

The length of this exclusive franchise would be six years.

Chief opponent to the bill during floor debate this week was Rep. Don Cartwright of San Antonio's District 57-H, whose home on Babcock Road is served by Grey Forest. Cartwright said he had 20 amendments to offer for Rains' bill, but after the first two amendments were turned back by voice votes he withdrew the other 18.

If Rains' bill wins final passage inn the House, it will then go to the Senate, where Sen. John Traeger of Seguin has promised to sponsor it.

Then if it passes in the Senate it will go to Gov. Dolph Briscoe.

Meantime, Mayor Faust, Grey Forest Utilities Manager Tom Kirby and representatives of the City Public Service will meet again next week to try to work out an agreement among themselves with or without the Rain-sponsored bill.

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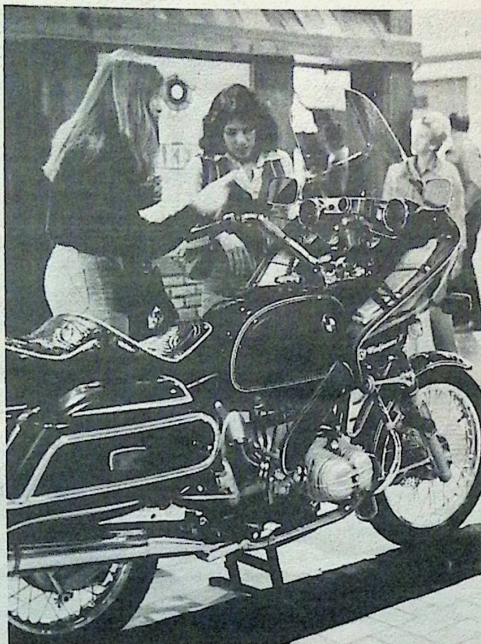
New Engineer



Arch C. Holden, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Arch Holden of Helotes, received his master's degree in electrical engineering from Oklahoma A&M University in Stillwater, Okla., on May 14. He has been employed by Minneapolis-Honeywell Co. and after a brief training period in Minneapolis, will report to Honeywell's unit in Tokyo, Japan. Mr. and Mrs. Holden attended their son's commencement exercises in Stillwater.

Arch Holden of Blanco Land and Cattle Co., developer of the new subdivision on the former Menger Ranch on Bandera Highway, reports 40 of the 49 tracts there have been sold. Each tract is 5 to 6 acres. The first home there has just been completed at a cost of \$90,000, with five more homes under construction.

Motorbikes To Be Shown



Mall shoppers stop to admire one of the numerous motorcycles on display during the Randolph Motorcycle Association's recent visit to Windsor Park Mall. There will be a repeat of the showing of motorcycles on June 18 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Windsor Park. The public is invited.

Matthew Timothy Terry, firstborn of Mr. and Mrs. Timmy Terry of Helotes, arrived on the last day of the Helotes Cornyval, May 1. He weighed in at 8 pounds

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The word "minute" comes from a Latin expression which denoted one-sixtieth of a unit. A minute is one-sixtieth of an hour, just as a minute in geometry is one-sixtieth of a degree.

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the regulation of firearms and the appointment of state-level judges. Also, 72 per cent said no to ordinance-making authority for County Commissioners.

Representative Rains explained, "The House has already addressed many of the issues included in the questionnaire. We have passed legislation providing tax relief for utility consumers, increasing exemptions for inheritance taxes, and providing for evaluating agricultural land by its capacity to produce. Other major legislation is still pending, including property tax reform and school finance."

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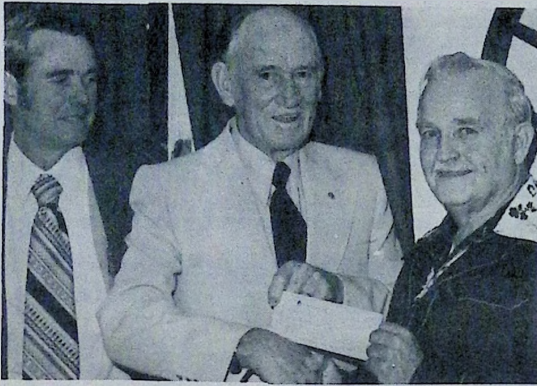
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Lions Club Gift



Ollie Whetstone, center, president of the Helotes Lions Club, presents a check for \$250 to Jack Nottingham of the Helotes Hills Methodist Church for the PARC fund. PARC is a recreation center being built on the church property for use by the entire community. At left is Bill Barker, chairman of the PARC project for the Lions. The check presentation was made at the Lions Club meeting Tuesday night at El Chaparral. Wives of the members were guests.

Photo by William Terry

UTSA Offers Student Aid

Deadline to apply for financial aid for the University of Texas at San Antonio's Fall, 1977 semester is Monday, May 30. Salvador Gomez, director of student financial aids, said meeting the deadline is important in assuring that funds will arrive before the fall semester begins.

Students wishing to obtain financial aid information and instructions on how to apply should write the Office of Student Financial Aid, UTSA, San Antonio, TX 78285.

Persons wishing admissions information should write the UTSA Office of Admissions and Registrar.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moss of Wildwood and their sons David and Nathan welcomed on May 4 their first daughter and sister, Rachel Lee Moss. Rachel, born at Methodist Hospital, weighed 6 pounds 11 ounces.

Visitors From Holland



Mr. and Mrs. Howard Goodson of Helotes Ranch Acres have been entertaining two visitors from Holland this month. The visitors are Annie Abben, above left, and Annie Van Hinthem, right, with Goodson and his daughter Shawna. During World War II Goodson became acquainted with the parents of Miss Van Hinthem when the 82nd Airborne Division of the U.S. Army, of which he was a member, parachuted into Normandy and advanced into Holland. Miss Van Hinthem then was 15 years old. Friendly contact between the Goodsons and the Van Hinthems was maintained during the years, and at long last Miss Van Hinthem was able this year to come to America, accompanied by her friend Miss Ebben. They all attended the Marshall High baseball game Wednesday night.

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