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## New City Government Begins!

Swearing-in ceremony held Nov. 15th...Council meets Nov. 20th.

### Bank Building Starts

Construction has begun on the temporary headquarters for the newly-formed Helotes State Bank, according to Dale Parker, president of the new charter. The temporary building will be located in the front portion of the bank property at 12590 Bandera Road at FM-1560. Parker said the bank is looking forward to a mid-January opening in their temporary building, with construction of a permanent facility to begin in the near future.

Rehler, Vaughan, Beatty and Koone, Inc., of San Antonio provided architectural plans for the new bank building and construction is being done by Bob Cage,

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Mayor Tom Beatty officiates tonight at the first meeting of the Helotes City Council to be held at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 20 at PARC Bldg. at Helotes Hills United Methodist Church. The meeting is open to the public.

Mayor Tom Beatty took his oath of office before a standing room only crowd at the Helotes Elementary School Gym on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 15 and was sworn in by Judge Blair Reeves.

The Swearing-In Ceremony for the Mayor, City Council and Marshal for Helotes — following the special election Nov. 3 for the newly incorporated town of Helotes — had pomp and ceremony and a brisk pace.

Master of ceremonies was Vernon Morrow. The color guard with Joe Bambeck in command was from Boy Scout Troop 401.

Rev. Jerri Jones gave the invocation. Then dignitaries from the state, county, and nearby towns and cities made a series of two-minute remarks. They pointed out their long ties with Helotes and wished the community well in its future. Most of them had worked to help Helotes incorporate in some capacity.



Earl Smith, unopposed in the recent election, was sworn in by Judge Barrera.

These included Frank Madla, State representative, a native of Helotes who often visits here, and Kae Patrick, State Representative, who may inherit the Helotes District in January of 1983.

Judge Roy Barrera, Jr., who also administered the oath of office to the Marshal Earl C. Smith and the five Aldermen; Pat Wootton, Verna Thompson, Guy Burnett,

Leonard Hill and Rudy Loeffler.

San Antonio's City Councilwoman Helen Dutmer spoke of the need to keep Helotes as it is and reminded the new officials that it is a privilege to serve the people.

Others who spoke were Commissioners Tom Stolhanke and Jeff Wentworth, both of whom have ties with Helotes. Others on the podium included Constable Harlon Copeland, and Mayors Kenneth Alley of Leon Valley and William (Gene) Sharp of Shavano Park.

On Monday, Nov. 9, the Commissioners Court certified the election results. Total votes cast on Election Day were 564 with an additional 80 absentee ballots including those cast in person or mailed in by Oct. 30. This totalled 644 votes with the winners receiving the following votes:

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Aldermen being sworn in by Judge Roy Barrera, Jr. are, left to right: Pat Wootton, Verna Thompson, Guy Burnett, Leonard Hill and Rudy Loeffler.



Also attending the swearing-in ceremonies were the 1981 Court of Helotes. Shown here left to right are: Laura Benavides, Alternate; De'Aun Williams, Duchess; Stephanie Thompson, Princess; and Carolyn Fields, Queen.

### Five Churches Join In Thanksgiving Service

The annual community Thanksgiving service will be held this year on Sunday, Nov. 22, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Congregations and pastors of five local churches will cooperate in the service. They are Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit, Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, Helotes Hills United Methodist Church, and Zion Lutheran Church. Everyone is welcome.

The service will be held at

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. The sermon will be given by Rev. Jerri Jones of Helotes Hills United Methodist Church.

The service will begin with a prelude played by Mrs. Shirley Cotton, organist. The offertory hymn will be "Sing Praises to the Living God," featuring an ecumenical choir from the five churches. The combined choirs, under the direction of Virginia Springer, also will sing a song of meditation.

Greetings will be extended

by Rev. Ed Jach, pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The scripture lesson will be given by Rev. Joe Reynolds, pastor of Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, and the gospel lesson by Rev. Paul Probst, pastor of Zion Lutheran.

The intercession prayer will be given by Sister Mary Louise Foley of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and the Lord's Prayer will be led by Rev. Patrick McNulty, assistant pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Representatives of the participating churches will bring to the altar during the service symbols of blessings for which thanks are being offered.

The Zion Lutheran Church representatives will bring fruits of the field. The Episcopal members will bring products of the earth, including petroleum products. The people from Forest Hills Presbyterian Church will bring plants, flowers and paintings and

other works of art, representing the beauty of creation.

Scout Troop 401 of Helotes Hills Methodist Church will carry the American flag and a copy of the Declaration of Independence.

Altar servers of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church will represent husbands and wives and Christ and will bear wedding rings and a copy of the marriage ritual. Other members of the Catholic congregation will carry symbols of the other

sacraments.

The closing benediction will be pronounced by Rev. Bob Thronson of Zion Lutheran Church.

A social will be held afterwards in Our Lady of Guadalupe's Confraternity Building.

Community religious services are held by the local churches twice each year, at Thanksgiving and Easter. The collections at the services are used to aid the poor in the community during the year.



# Mrs. Agnes Braun Celebrates 70th Birthday

Mrs. Agnes Braun celebrated her 70th birthday with a party held at the Zion Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall on Sunday, November 8, two days before her real birthday. She was born on Nov. 10, 1911 at her family home on Potranco Road where her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Michalczak, farmed and ranched. Her Mother was the former Eliza

Steubing of New Braunfels, Texas; and Agnes was one of four brothers and four sisters. They used to say that "11" was her special number, and Mrs. Braun almost made it a straight 11 at birth. She was born in the 11th month at 11 a.m. on the 10th day oops- of the 11th year of the century.

She grew up in the Helotes area and married a native,



At the table are three who can enjoy the birthday, Elsie Tezel, 79 on Nov. 12, and Milford Uhl, 62, shown with Agnes Braun, center, who marked her 70th.



Present at the birthday party are the brothers, sisters and their spouses who came to honor Mrs. Agnes Braun on this happy occasion. Shown in the front row, left to right are Mrs. Braun, the honoree, Mrs. Elsie Tezel, Mrs. Shirley Michalczak, and Mrs. Lucille Uhl. In the second row, left to right are Milton Michalczak, Andrew Tezel, Melvin Michalczak, George Michalczak, Gladys Michalczak and Melford Uhl.



Shown are the Fritz Braun family who attended the party. Left to right, Burton Braun, Garrett Kempf, Shelly Kempf, Bernice (Braun) Kempf, Agnes Braun, the honoree, Sharon Kempf, and Fred Kempf.

the late Fritz Braun who farmed and ranched here. (Her father was born on the Fritz Braun place.) During World War II she and her husband farmed, and since all the help had gone to war, it was a time of long hours in

the fields. Later she was an able nurse's aid keeping busy at the hospital, often working the night shift.

She can agree with the opening remarks of the tribute paid her quoting Oliver Wendell Holmes, "To



The nieces and nephews of Mrs. Braun spent many happy hours at the Fritz Braun farm. They are shown in the front row, left to right, with their Aunt Agnes, far left. They are Sharyl Michalczak, Judy Bullington, Verlyn Loest, Georgia Ann Edmonson and Jane Roach.

In the back row are Bruce Michalczak, Darlene Urbanek, Karen Botter, Al Michalczak, and Marlene Day. Two absent were Curtis Michalczak and Janice Toepperwein. Among these are two sets of twins.

be 70 years young is sometimes far more cheerful and hopeful than to be 40 years old."

Her family members described her as Affectionate and ageless...Generous and God-fearing...Neat...Energetic...Serving Christ and others. Altogether the first letters spell AGNES.

Mrs. Jane Roach, Mrs.

Braun's niece, led the brief program.

And then the 125 guests came in for their share of recognition and had a chance to enjoy a barbecue chicken and ham dinner. The menu also included beans, potato salad, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, and french bread.

Of course there was a Continued on Page 5

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## Engagement Announced



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The groom-to-be is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Johnson, Sr. of Helotes, Texas.

The prospective bride is a graduate of New Mexico State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in advertising. She is a member of Chi Omega sorority and is presently employed by the Public Service Company, New Mexico.

Her fiance grew up in

Helotes. He is a graduate of John Marshall High School and a 1980 graduate of Texas A & M University with a Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry. He was Scholastic Officer of Company "P2", the Corps of Cadets; President of Wings & Sabres; and President of Kappa Sigma fraternity.

He is presently employed by the Western Company of North America and is Technical Sales Representative of the Rocky Mountain Regional Office at Denver. On December 1, he will move to Sidney, Montana to assume the position of District Engineer of that area.

## Lady Roadrunners Open Season

The long wait for the season opener, indeed for the school's first intercollegiate basketball game, is almost over for UTSA's Lady Roadrunners.

They'll open their inaugural season Monday night, Nov. 23, at 7:30 in San Marcos against Southwest Texas.

Coach Ginny DeHaven will probably go with four transfers and a freshman, Margaret Martinovich, as starters. Other likely starters for the Lady Roadrunners are forwards Denise Fritz (6-0) and Marsha Holt (5-9) along with guards Linda McReynolds (5-6) and Shelley Seale (5-6). Also tabbed for action are forward Cindy Pavell (5-10) and guard Kim Maxwell (5-10).

In preseason scrimmages UTSA has overwhelmed several opponents by lopsided scores, but DeHaven isn't taking much stock in those results. "We weren't challenged enough to see what we really have. We're lacking in size, but we didn't face any big people," she explains.

Southwest Texas should give the UTSAns a more accurate gauge. Top returnees this season for SWT include Karen Schroder (6-1), Karen Kindrick (5-10) and Stacy Pfluger (5-9). And while not classified as extremely tall, Schroder averaged 16 points and 12 rebounds per game last season. The Bobcats were 11-16 a year ago.

UTSA will have one day after the joust with Southwest Texas to get ready for the Nov. 25 home opener with the highly touted Houston Cougars.

Milton Michalczak, and Melvin Michalczak.

The children of her late husband, Burton Braun and Bernice Kempf were there also with latter's son Fred; his wife, Sharon; and their children, Shelly and Garrett Kempf. The late Henry Braun was the third child of Fritz Braun.

The tribute closed with singing by the three former Kneupper sisters—nieces of Mrs. Braun, singing "Blest Be the Tie that Binds". They are all married and are Jane Roach, Judy Bullington and Verlyn Loest.

Sharing the birthday party

were 17 special honored guests who have November birthdays.

The oldest and youngest present were Clara Ruempel and Mandi Sue Toepperwein.

### Will Meet

The Glen Oaks chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons will meet at 1 p.m., Nov. 24, at Hope Lutheran Church, 5714 Callaghan Road. Bill Barco will present slides on the Yucatan area of Mexico.

The December meeting will be the installation dinner at the Crystal Baking Co. on Dec. 14.

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### Builders, Inc.

Parker described the temporary bank building as being a comfortable facility of slightly less than 2,000 square feet. It will feature four inside teller windows, a drive-up window, executive/loan offices, after-hours depository and a refreshment area for customers and bank personnel. Complete banking services will be provided by Helotes State Bank from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday. Limited services will be available from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays.

Active officers for the bank will be Parker and Paula Jefferson, cashier. Parker held the position of senior vice-president of First International Bank of San Antonio before being named president of Helotes State Bank. He had previously been a vice-president at Broadway National Bank of San Antonio. Mrs. Jefferson came to Helotes Bank from a similar position at the Groos National Bank of San Antonio, bringing eleven years of experience to her new position. Dr. Norman Wulfsohn is chairman of the Board of



Estelle Franks, center, explains her hobby of beadwork. Looking on are Hardie Warden, left, and Lucille Owen as well as others who attended the show.



Adela Schuh, left, admires a button display being exhibited by Lorene Williams, here holding a framed set of period buttons.

Photos by Evelyn

Directors of the new bank. Other Directors are Parker, Bennie H. Lyon, vice-chairman, Herbert G. Davis, Howard Timlin, Ken Rehler, Robert T. Lee, Maurene Mullins, Scott Holden and Calvin Galm.

Some people once believed that mountains were formed by an enormous underground serpent moving about.



Marie Parrigin shows typical items from her hobby of collecting wooden art and useful objects of wood. Some of these date from the turn of the century.

Some two dozen members of the Silver Belles Club of Helotes brought samples of their hobbies—either as originators or collectors—to their first annual Hobby Display Show, held at the PARC Building on a bright November afternoon. The two-hour show attracted more than double as many more spectators.

The Silver Belles frequently have won prizes with their handiwork in other organizations, but they surprised themselves with the versatility shown. There were ceramics, art, collec-



Nadine Hartmann has among her hobbies a sample of her ability. She recently completed this rose-design afghan.

tions, crocheting, stitchery, Christmas items, and dress-making. Nothing was offered for sale, but would-be buyers gave a reverse sales pitch. Food—such as canning and preserving—looked so good! It was fortunate that a lavish supply of cookies, pies, tea and coffee were offered to all guests by the members.

Some have promised to take part in the Helotes Christmas Days—and maybe let the buyers have a few choice items. Otherwise, they may get a choice when the club has its traditional "Trash 'n Treasure" booth at the Helotes Spring Festival.



Linnie Varnon, well-known for her knitted work, brought some of her first oil paintings to the exhibit.

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## Clark — Belto Marry Nov. 20



Mrs. Joel Bruce Clark

In an evening ceremony at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church of Helotes, Miss Cindy Lynn Belto became the bride of Joel Bruce Clark, son of Dr. Bruce Clark and Kay Clark, on Friday, November 20, 1981. Rev. Father Ed Jach, pastor, officiated at the Wedding Mass and exchanging of vows. Sacramental gifts were brought to the Altar by grandmothers of both the bride and bridegroom.

Flowers decorating the Altar were of rust colored chrysanthemums reflecting Autumn. The bride's bouquet was a blend of white roses and white Mums with Ivy.

The bride was escorted to the Altar by her father, and her paternal grandfather, who had three sons only. Her gown was styled in the Southern tradition and was of Chantilly lace over satin.

The bodice had a Queen Anne neckline re-embroidered with seed pearls and had long sleeves. The skirt of ruffled lace—with a ruffled satin and lace cathedral train—featured also an overskirt of tucked chiffon in the Southern tradition. Her veil was of cathedral length, and her headdress was a coronet of lace.

Serving as the bride's matron of honor was her sister Pam Van Delden. Maids of honor were Roxie Noyes and Shirley Breeding. Their gowns were in the Southern style to complement that of the bride and were of Fall colors.

The groom in white tails was served by Mark Belto, brother of the bride, as best man. Groomsman who wore ivory and brown tails included Jeff Lund of St. Paul, Minnesota, and Al Clark of Dallas.

Ringbearers were Grady and Cody Pope.

Out-of-town guests included the bridegroom's grandmother, Mrs. J. Gordon Clark and also Dr. and Mrs. Robert S. Clark, all of St. Paul, Minn. Guests also arrived from Texas cities including Houston, Corpus Christi, Austin, Katy, Lakehills, Denton, Kenedy and Bastrop.

Following the wedding, a reception was held at the Colony House. In keeping with a family tradition an heirloom quilt—which had been started by the bride's paternal great-grandmother Hoffman and completed by her paternal grandmother Belto, was presented.

The bride is a 1977 graduate of John Marshall High School and as 1975 Duchess represented Helotes.

The groom is currently attending the University of Texas at San Antonio and is an accounting major.

After a honeymoon at Key Allegro, Corpus Christi, the couple will live here.

high school squads in the greater San Antonio metropolitan area.

Over 30 teams are expected to participate in the competition, which will be judged by officials from the National Cheerleaders Association.

Trophies will be awarded to varsity and junior varsity divisions in pom-pom routines, cheers, and spirit categories. The St. Mary's cheerleaders will also present a special spectators trophy to the school with the overall best spirit.

## Houston Is Art Subject

The San Antonio Art Institute will present the work of six Houston artists in the exhibition opening Thursday, Dec. 3, 6-8 p.m. and continuing through Jan. 13. The exhibition illustrates two aspects of Houston, Texas—Mexican history and myth contrasting with the architecture of a modern city.

The exhibition is sponsored by the Republic-Bank, Houston and Republic-Bank, San Antonio.

The Air Force Brass and Woodwind Quintet, "Band of the West" will perform in the gallery on opening night.

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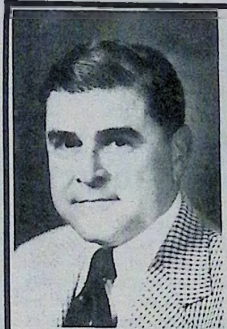
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## Loop 410 Now Open

Traffic on Loop 410 has now been opened to six lanes between Fredericksburg Road and Ingram Road, the State Highway Department has announced.

The contractor has completed all roadway and bridge work on the main lanes and full three lane movement in each direction is now possible.

Meanwhile, the project's signing and striping is continuing. New signs will be placed along this project along with lane delineation work. This contract will not be completed until March, 1982.

## Nov. 25 Is UTSA Day

Students from throughout San Antonio will be able to get to know one of the state's newest and fastest growing educational institutions during UTSA Day Wednesday, Nov. 25, at The University of Texas at San Antonio.

High school seniors, transfers from other colleges, returning students as well as the public are invited to visit the UTSA campus from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. They will meet faculty members and representatives of the Office of Admissions and Registrar, Student Financial Aid and Student Services.

Topics to be covered include admissions requirements, financial aid, degree programs, athletics, student activities and registration procedures. Campus tours will also be available as part of the afternoon's activities.

UTSA Day is an annual event sponsored by the Office of Admissions and Registrar. It will be located in the KIVA in the Multidisciplinary Studies Building on the UTSA campus.

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## Eagle Award Candidate



Deke Burt, of Scout Troop, 404, who is son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Joe M. Burt, will receive the Eagle Award in a ceremony to be held Nov. 24 at the Shepherd of the Hills Presbyterian Church.

Deke is a freshman at John Marshall High School, a member of the football team, and of the order of the Arrow Leadership Corps. He attends the Helotes Hills United Methodist Church.

## Youth Building Rejuvenated



Members of the Scenic Loop Playground Club, all residents of Grey Forest, have completed a task of refinishing the exterior of the Youth Building in time for holiday festivities.

This building, dating back to World War II was used for civic activities, and housed the only fire truck in the area before the formation of the Helotes Area Volunteer Fire Department and erection of the present facility on Old Bandera Road in the 1950's and the Grey Forest Volunteer Fire Department facility in the 1960's.

Before that, rancher's trucks or horse-drawn wagons were used to fight

fires here and were housed mostly outdoors.

Until the late 1960's, an annual Christmas Party complete with Santa Claus was a major holiday event sponsored by the Helotes Women's Club and children from Leon Valley to Pipe Creek were invited. Every year several Christmas parties and family reunions are scheduled here in addition to routine Club meetings.

All those who assisted in the repairs were volunteers, and donated their time and equipment to add a desert tan to the building. Four iron wheels of historic days mark the corners and entrance.

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## UTSA Prepares For First Game On Nov. 30

Spirit will be running high when students at The University of Texas at San Antonio hold their first pep rally on Tuesday, Nov. 24.

Emceed by Joe Fowler, sports director at KSAT-TV, Channel 12, the Roadrunner coaching staff and basketball teams members will be introduced to the crowd.

A highlight of the event will be routines and cheers performed by the UTSA Cheerleaders, accompanied by the Roadrunner Mascot and Roadrunner Band. At the conclusion of the rally, the Panhellenic Association, sponsors of the pep rally, will present team members with

special posters and banners.

The women's basketball team will play their first home game Wednesday, Nov. 25, against the University of Houston. The men's team faces the University of Arkansas in the HemisFair Arena on Monday, Nov. 30.

The pep rally will begin at noon on the Central Plaza. All the festivities of the beginning of a dramatic and exciting season of NCAA Division I basketball are open to the public, and there is no charge for admission.

For more information, call the Office of the Dean of Students, 691-4150.

## Incarnate Word Team To Open Season Nov. 24

Incarnate Word College athletic director Dan Amendola is speaking these days with pride and excitement about the women's athletic program at the Word.

"I don't think there has ever been so much excitement around here as there is right now in anticipation of the upcoming basketball season," Amendola said. The IWC Crusaders basketball season opens Nov. 24 in Austin in a game against St.

Edward's.

"Coach Eric Clark has a great group of players out for the team," Amendola continued, and said that the College recruited hard last spring and summer "and it looks like it's going to pay off."

Not one to make predictions as a general rule, Amendola believes the ICW women's team has to be considered the darkhorse in Division III (non-scholarship) of the TIAAW.

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Tom Beatty becomes Mayor of Helotes Sunday, Nov. 15 in ceremonies with County Judge Blair Reeves administering the oath of office.

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## Unique Run Due Here

Helotes will be one of the entry points for the first 50-mile Bike 'n Hike for the benefit of Multiple Sclerosis Society to be held Sunday, Nov. 22, beginning at 8 p.m.

Headquarters for the run will be Raymond Russell Park on Fredericksburg Road. The 25-mile loop to be covered includes Loop 1604, Babcock road, Cielo Vista, Boerne Stage Road, Scenic Loop and Bandera Road.

The Bike 'n Hike participants will include

bicyclists, joggers, hikers, skateboarders, roller skaters and anyone else on wheels or feet. The only motorized vehicles allowed will be those of wheelchair bound and Amigo bound people.

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