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It's Christmas throughout the World and Helotes is observing it in a spirit that can only be called incomparable. Christmas lights are visible in the hills, and everyone appears to be giving more than the usual time to the

real meaning of Christmas.
With the New Year standing in the sidelines, the Old Year has plenty of festivity left to enjoy. Helotes will be the en-tertainment spot of Bexar County—Country & Western all the way—on New Year's Eve. There will be places to go right here and many dancers from other areas, doubtless, will be here, too.

"Just Plain Country" will be playing at the VFW New Year's Eve benefit at Braun Hall. Floore Country Store will

have Dale Keith.

And Chef John's Loft, where a dinner and breakfast are part of the package will feature Bobby & Jerry and Country Love.

Christmas parties began at Thanksgiving. One of them was held at the Grey Forest City Hall this week. Gretchen Stappenbeck, city secretary, and Babe Gilliam decorated with lights and prepared colorful sandwiches and cake for the informal open house. The lights are burning nightly, as are those nearby at the home of Mayor and Mrs. Ed Faust.

The San Antonio Public Library Bookmobile will be at the Helotes School, Monday, Dec. 19, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., so students can check out books for Christmas holiday reading.

Helotes Merchants Association reports 50 per cent participation and invites all others in the local business community to join or send a delegate. Activities, in addition to successful added security, include promoting Helotes in 1978. Coffee is served, courtesy of Pres. Fred Holden, at Chef John's Loft at 8:30 a.m. on the Wednesdays-next time

Helotes Schedules Busy Holiday

Carnival Closes New Year's Eve



Claudia Navarro as Lili is shown with Puppets Carrot Top and

For entertainment that can be shared and enjoyed by the whole family, make plans to see the Church Dinner Theatre's production of America's Magical Musical, Carnival!

It is directed by J. Jay. Set and light designs are by Wayne K. Elkins, Jr.; costumes and puppets by Noel Noblitt; and musical direction, arrangements and accompaniment by Madolyn Douglas-Fallis. The production stars Claudia Navarro as Lili, Danny Spear as Paul, Bob Jolly as Marco, Amy LaPresto as Rosalie, David Bowen as Schlegel, Tom Newton as Jacquot, and Tom Parker as

The production features everything from singing to live magic and puppet shows. The production plays every Tuesday through Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon during December. Call 224-4085 for reservations.

UTSA Sets Registration

Registration for the spring semester at the University of Texas at San Antonio will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 10 and 11, and classes will begin Jan. 16, it has been announced by Dr. Beverly J. Gibbs, vice president for academic affairs.

All prospective students should contact the registrar as soon as possible this month so that applications and sup-porting materials can be processed in advance of the actual registration period.

For more information, phone

Churches Plan Observance Here

It's Christmas time in the country. All the folks in the Helotes valley are hurrying toward that great once-a-year pause on December 25.

The Helotes School-as well as all other Northside District schools-will dismiss after the close of classes on Wednesday,

Northside Has All-District Nominees

Charles E. Brown, principal of Holmes High School and chairman of the District 30-AAAA executive committee has announced the selections of the District 30-AAAA coaches for the 1977 all-district football

squad.
The three Northside high schools have 19 players on the offense and defense first teams and 11 players on the second teams. Other nominees are from Edgewood, Del Rio and Eagle Pass schools.

Northside nominees

include: First Team Offense: Fred First Team Offense: Fred Hall, Holmes, Mitch Stephen, Marshall, and Malcolm Bradford, Jay, running backs; Steve Tietze, Marshall, wide receiver; Keith Kearney, Jay, center; Ronald Barbosa, Jay, and Bill Marshall, Holmes, guards; Rod Corley and Marvin Parsons both Jay, tackles; and Parsons, both Jay, tackles; and John Greiner, Holmes, kicker. First Team Defense: Terry

Glueck, Marshall, Charles Ingram, Holmes, and Marvin Parsons, Jay, down linemen; James Lawrence, Jay, Bill Martin, Holmes, and Scott Stover, Marshall, linebackers; and Danny Flores, Holmes, Mike Hatchett, Jay, and Keith Pair Marshall secondary

Pair, Marshall, secondary. Second Team Offense: Doug Alfier, Jay, quarterback; Keith Camp, Holmes, running back; Vincent Rugnau, Jay, wide receiver; Robert Gutchess, Holmes, center; Ruben Calderon, Holmes, tackle; and Mark Malkenus, Jay, tight end.

Second Team Defense: Glen Redman, Jay, and Mary Moorman and Danny Pagel, Holmes, down linemen; and Mark Malkemus, Jay, and Larry Syring, Holmes,

Dec. 21, and not resume until Tuesday, Jan. 3. The Helotes School's traditional Christmas party and sing-a-long will be held Wednesday morning, and classroom parties will be held Wednesday afternoon, said Principal Fred Pizzini. The school faculty will hold a Christmas party on Tuesday night, Dec. 20, at El Chaparral Mexican Restaurant.

The Helotes School choir, consisting of the third, fourth and fifth graders, sang at Wonderland Shopping City Tuesday, Dec. 13.

The traditional Midnight Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church on Christmas Eve. Preceding the service will be the singing of carols by the youth choir, starting at 11:40 p.m., and a

crib-blessing ceremony. Earlier on Christmas Eve, the Christmas Vigil Mass will be offered beginning at 6 p.m. The adult choir will sing for the Vigil

On Christmas Day, Catholic church will have its regular schedule of services at 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. The same schedule will apply to New Year's Day ser-

The Forest Hills Presbyterian Church of Helotes will have its annual Christmas service on Sunday, Dec. 18. At the morning Service at 11 o'clock, the Rev. Sam Terry will discuss, "What Christmas Means to the World." Then at 7 p.m. the Presbyterian church will have its Sunday School program with a play put on by the children, "Why the Chimes Rang," the offering of the white gifts (for distribution to a needy family), and a visit from Santa Claus. On Christmas Eve the

Presbyterian church will have a carol and candlelight service beginning at 7 p.m. During the scripture-reading, Rev. Terry will be assisted by four young people, Shawn McKay, Elizabeth Hand, Barron Dixon and Kathy Hasse. On Christmas Day, the church will have its regular 11 a.m. service, when the pastor will speak on "The Christmas Gospel."

Zion Lutheran Church on Leslie Road will have a Christmas program, "The Promise," at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 18, in the church. Church members also will be asked to

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Thieves Go Too Far For Fur

It could be bad news for more

than just the folks around here.

A November break-in one recent Thursday night netted the thieves not only coins but the store's complete stock of

investigated the mode of entry and took a record of the items

Trapping endangered species or in game preserves is illegal, and anyone noting such violations should report fin-dings to the Helotes Merchants Association or law enforcement

Victim of the incident was the Helotes Feed & Seed in downtown Helotes. Sheriff's deputies It's our favorite time for saying thank you for your friendship and loyalty and for extending warm wishes to all. Enjoy Dancing at Floore's Saturday, December 17 — THE ROUGH RIDERS Sunday, December 18 — **NASHVILLE SOUND** BBB **CHRISTMAS EVE** Saturday, December 24 — **NASHVILLE SOUND** CHRISTMAS DAY Sunday, Dec. 25 -DALE KEITH AND HIS STARLITE RAMBLERS Nolcome It's Party Time ...and so we send greetings and warm wishes for a top notch **New Year!** Saturday, 31 -DALE KEIT AND HIS STARLITE RAMBLERS FOR PRIVATE PARTIES, CALL 695-8827 STOP IN FOR COUNTRY STYLE BREAD -SAUSAGE - TAMALES - AND MORE OPEN 9 A.M. to 8 P.M. DAILY Floore Country Sto

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Farm Bureau Meeting Asks Rural Protection

Twelve delegates from the Bexar County Farm Bureau attended the 44th annual meeting of the Texas Farm Bureau in Houston, according to Irving Ernst, president of the Bexar County Farm Bureau.

They were among some 1,500 persons from the 210 organized county Farm Bureaus attending the annual policy-making session of the state's largest farm organization.

Policies to guide the TFB next year were adopted by the more than 1,000 voting delegates. Recommendations on national issues were also approved. These will be forwarded to the annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation, which will be held Jan. 8-12, also in Houston. Five of the major resolutions proposed by the Bexar County Farm Bureau

1. Bexar County recommends that cities require not more than two acres of rural land for

providing electrical service.
2. That all boards of equalization meet only as full boards.

That extraterritorial jurisdiction of all Texas cities be repealed.

4. That a ceiling be placed on



The Bexar County Farm Bureau was represented by 12 delegates at the 44th annual Texas Farm Bureau Convention in Houston. at the 44th annual Texas Farm Bureau Convention in Houston.
Pictured at registration are, first row from left, Irving Ernst, president, Mrs. Helen Ernst, Irene Zigmond, secretary-treasurer, Evelyn Ackermann, Irene Fry, Ludell Boldt, and Mrs. Francis Pape. Second row from left are A.V. Thurman, David Ackermann, Joe Fry, Clinton Boldt and David Pape.

amounts to be paid to county-appointed lawyers.
5. That the Texas Animal

Health Commission enforce brucellosis laws more strictly.
The Bexar County bureau

received a trophy for the largest 20-year membership gain. Guest speakers at the general

sessions included Texas Senators Lloyd Bentsen and John Tower. Also addressing the convention were TFB President Carrol Chaloupka of Dalhart, Secretary-Treasurer Reed Lang of Rio Hondo, and Executive Director Warren Newberry of Waco.

UTSA Students Choose Mascot

The armadillo with 747 votes to the winner's 894 lost a lengthy race which saw it out ahead of nine contenders much of this Fall on the UTSA campus. With its eyes, no doubt, on the star— its toughest early competition, it just didn't see that bird.

At the first campus pep rally, 200 UTSA students gathered to cheer for their mascot choices And as the bonfire burned brightly on a chilly night, Friday, Dec. 9, it was an-nounced that as of now the University of Texas at San Antonio will be represented by the roadrunner as mascot.

The winning choice for mascot will be submitted to the University president and also the UT System Board of Regents for approval, the final hurdle.

The announcement followed a two-day run-off election bet-ween the armadillo and roadrunner. Election of the mascot, and campaigning, began in September with set-backs along the way. The star was an early contender.

UTSA plans are to introduce the roadrunner off-campus in 1979-80 when it is expected that intercollegiate athletics will be played in basketball, tennis, golf and cross-country track. Both men and women are expected to participate.

It'll Be Cougars For Clark High

Fifteen hundred eligible voters Dec. 14 chose a mascot and school colors for Northside District's newest school.

Tom C. Clark High Schoolwhich will open next Fall-will field future teams to be known as the Cougars, who will be wearing 3-color outfits of black,

silver and white.

Those who voted are to be first-year students when Clark opens in 1978. They are presently the freshmen and sophomores at Marshall who are expected to transfer to the new school, and also the present 8th graders at Hobby Middle School.

Announcement of results was made yesterday. Principal Jerry Daniel of the new school earlier with student representatives to select a field of possible mascots and acceptable colors. The mountain lion—or cougar—competed with several other mascots and three sets of colors were in contention.

High schools in Northside traditionally have no seniors the first year, allowing students to finish where they have previously enrolled. The three first-time classes set most traditions for the future years. The new school is on DeZavala Road, east of Interstate 10 and is presently under construction.

Cathy Conlin, Holmes High School sophomore, is ranked seventh-best girl swimmer in the nation by Swimming World publication's latest-released

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CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE

(from page 1 bring items of canned food gift-

wrapped to be distributed to the Lutheran Social Service of Texas.

On Christmas Eve, Zion Lutheran will have a can-dlelight service, beginning at 7:30 p.m. During this service the Luther League will present a pantomime of the Christmas story. Christmas Day services will be at the regular Sunday hours, 9 a.m. for Sunday School and 10:15 a.m. for worship, the latter to include Holy Com-munion services, said Pastor

Probst.
Building toward the big day on Dec. 25, the Helotes Baptist Church had its Christmas social on Dec. 10, and on Sunday, Dec. 18, will have a Chrismon Tree Service beginning at 7 p.m. Rev. Jerry Reeves explained that "Chrismon" is a relatively new word coined from the phrase, "Christ's monograms." During the service Rev. Reeves will display 20 symbols used for Christ, God and the Holy Ghost, explain the meaning of each and give a scripture reference for it. The youth choir will sing, and refreshments will be served. The congregation of the Helotes Hills Methodist Church has been invited to share the Chrismon Tree Service.

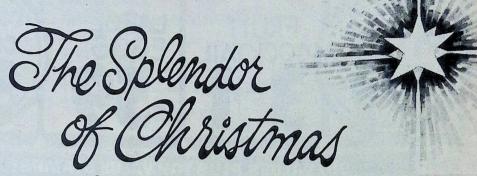
On Wednesday, Dec. 21, the young people of the Baptist church will have a hayride and carolling outing, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The hayride will take them through various neigh-borhoods in the Helotes area, and enroute they will sing carols.

On Christmas Day and New Year's Day, the Baptist church will hold regular Sunday school

and morning religious services.

The Helotes Hills United
Methodist Church had a
Christmas cantata on Sunday, Dec. 10, and plans regular services on Christmas Day with congregational singing of carols, special music by the choir, and a re-telling of the Christmas story. Rev. Collin Furr is pastor.

The new Grey Forest Chapel, meeting in the Scenic Loop Youth Building under the direction of Bro. Rusty Maddox, will have worship services at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. both on Christmas and New Year's



... the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and His mother, and flee to Egypt ... Matthew 2:13

As we reverently recall that hallowed journey and the glory of Christ's birth, we pray you will be blessed with Life's everlasting treasures...our appreciation among them.

The Staff Of The HELOTES ECHO

Add Polish Spice To Holidays



THINK POLISH-Polish Canned Ham and Polish Wodka are the perfect complements for the holidays. Try Polish Ham with Spirited Orange Glaze.

Everywhere in the world, the traditional Christmas Eve dinner is probably the most memorable meal of the year. In Poland, for in-stance, it was originally meatless and consisted of 12 meatless and consisted of 12 courses. Today, it is served on a white tablecloth laid over a bed of straw, to symbolize the manger of the Christ child, and the 12-fruit compote served in modern households represents those original 12 disher dishes

Special meat dishes are served on New Year's Eve. Polish Ham with Spirited Orange Glaze is a perfect holiday dish. It is easy to prepare and generous in amount, which is typical of the Polish cuisine. Glazed with Polish wodka and orange marmalade, this dish warms the heart and the palate.

Ham Polonaise With Special meat dishes are

Ham Polonaise With Spirited Orange Glaze
1 jar (12 ounces) orange marmalade

1/2 cup Polish Wodka Wyborowa

2 tablespoons lemon iuice

1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon ground

5-pound canned ham

2 tablespoons water Assorted vegetables: acorn squash, brussel sprouts, cranberries

In saucepan, combine marmalade, wodka, lemon juice and spices. Heat, stirring, until marmalade is melted.

Place ham in roasting pan. Add water. Bake at 3500F. for 1 hour, brushing frequently with glaze.

To serve, garnish with cooked vegetables in season; serve with remaining glaze. Makes 10 to 12 servings.

of Directors for the coming year

were Charlie Garcia, Dave Roberts, and Vernon Morrow.

third Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. at El Chaparral. Civic activities

The organization meets on the

Boerne Has Newly Opened Antique Clock Shoppe

Clock watching is their business-and they see that clocks-old and rare, or of modern vintage-are telling the right time, or could, if handled properly.

Eldon and Barbara Harris are owners of the new Boerne Antique Clock Shoppe, located at 703 S. Main in Boerne. After having lived in Torrance. California for approximately 10 years, they have chosen to return to Texas and live in the hill country. Barbara, whose maiden name was Priour, was born and grew up in Skidmore, Texas, and says that she had wanted to return to Texas as soon as they could.

She has sisters in this area including Mrs. David (Beverly) Anderson of Helotes. The Andersons have the Anderson Garage of Leon Valley.

Barbara and her sisters and their families are looking forward to a Christmas holiday all together for the first time in

many years.
"Timelessness" in a clock is only good when referring to its beauty or value. Eldon Harris— who is employed in the aviation industry—became interested in California in clocks. He studied how to repair or restore clocks, working with master clock makers in the West, so "timely" is a better word for those he

The store maintains regular hours of 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and Mrs. Harris keeps the shop except on Tuesday or Wed-nesday when Mr. Harris is on hand for consultation regarding

UTSA To Perform

The UTSA Chamber Chorale will present a free concert of Christmas music at 8 p.m., Dec. 11, at University Presbyterian Church, 300 Bushnell.

The program will include two aroque settings of "The Baroque settings of "The Magnificat" text, one by Giovanni Pergolesi and the other by Leonardo Leo. Both settings are for soloists, chorus, strings and continuo.

Award-winning watercolorist Award-winning watercolorist Jose Esquivel Jr. is exhibiting selected works throughout December at Westfall Branch Library. The display includes wildlife paintings and scenes of the Southwest. Character and color with an emphasis on fine detail are shown in his butterflies, quail, and weathered ranch buildings.

problem clocks brought in by their customers to be repaired. They are both knowledgeable about vintage clocks, and they have timepieces of varying eras for sale, a cherished gift for time watchers

The Harrisses have three children. Their youngest, Lisa is a highschool freshman in Boerne; Mitzie is a June, 1977 high school graduate and plans to attend UTSA here; and their son Ronald is employed by the Boerne Community Builders

Mrs. Harris is also close to her mother in Boerne, Mrs. Lucylle King, who is a resident of Hill Top Nursing Home there

For those who are also new in this area—Boerne is nearby. It can be reached from

Helotes by going down Loop 1604 or Scenic Loop Road to IH 10 and heading left—where you can't miss it. And you'll save time, not having to go to the big city if you're looking for an antique clock or to get yours repaired.

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Officers Elected By Homeowners

In a meeting Wednesday night at El Chaparral, the Helotes Park Estates Homeowners elected Pete Cantu president to succeed the first president, Col. Thomas E.

Cantu, who was elected unanimously, immediately took over his duties along with Mark Langford, vice president; Joanna Reynolds, secretary;

include obtaining added security for homes, and participation in community events. A vote of thanks is in order to the outgoing officers who worked to form the club during the past year, a spokesman for the group said.

and Harry Sherblom, treasurer. Named to serve on the Board

Next on the agenda after the

Battle of Flowers and Fiesta Flambeau parades downtown this Spring will be the Cornyval

78 parade here during the Helotes Spring Festival. The parade—slated for the first Saturday in May—will have the theme "Frontiers, Past and

Present." All groups, persons, and communities are invited to enter the parade. The official Festival float is now in the process of being designed for 1978 activities. The present float took a blue ribbon recently in Kerrville with Miss Helotes, Pam Wimberley, riding.

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Marshall Junior Takes Title

Worrell, Marshall High junior, won the recent State Championship Handball Tournament in Austin.

The new Texas Champion, Worrell beat four college students during the finals, two University of Texas players, one Southwest Texas University entry and one Texas Tech University player.
Worrell has been playing

handball at the downtown

YMCA in San Antonio since his 12th birthday

The UTSA Concert Choir will repeat a special performance of works by Mozart Dec. 25 at Castle Hills First Baptist Church, 2220 NW Military Dr.

The concert begins at 7 p.m. and is open to the public free of

3232322222 the Herald Angels sing of eternal peace Lord doth bring. Our everlasting gratitude to our many friends. Delores, Dorothy hat.'N Curl & Yolie BEAUTY SHOP Also Unique Boutique

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Institute To Feature German Christmases



Three of the seven Timmermann sisters of Geronimo, Texas, add family ornaments to the German Christmas tree that will be on view at The Institute of Texan Cultures now until the end of December. Also featured are items from the Christmas celebrations of the family of Kurt Beckmann, former Helotes area

Generations of German Christmas celebrations in Texas will be shared with all the state's people in a special December display at The In-stitute of Texan Cultures.

Homemade toys and holiday decorations will be on view around the exhibit floor until the end of the month.

The seven Timmermann sisters of Geronimo, a small town just outside Seguin, will bring the trappings of their family Christmas observance to

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the Institute.

The highlight of their Christmas was, and still is, the decorating of the tree. The many unusual decorations visitors will see on the sisters' Institute tree include homemade cookies made from cutters used in the orphanage. One is shaped like Texas with a sugar picture depicting a startled deer in a bluebonnet field. Others include a candleholder, baskets and tulip blossoms

Also to be seen at the Institute's German Christmas exhibit will be games created by a former Helotes area resident, the late San Antonio architect, Kurt Beckmann.

Although each game portrays different holiday scenes, each was played the same way. The child had to find a cash prize hidden within one of the objects on the toy. For his nieces and nephews, Beckmann created 10 toys, some mechanized and

each more elaborate than the

The highlight of the Institute's German Christmas will come on Dec. 18 with a party in the Dome. The "Special Sunday" celebration will feature Timmermann and Beckmann ac-counts of their family customs and performances of traditional

and performances of traditional
German holiday music by the
"Mannerchor" and
'Damenchor", singing groups
from the century-old German
Beethoven Society of San An-

The party will begin at 3 p.m. Visitors also will be served punch and cookies.

The Institute is located on the southeast corner of HemisFair Plaza in downtown San Antonio.

VFW

Commended

Bob Ward, president of the Medina County Trail Riders, this week reported that the October trail ride to raise funds for the Medina County Association for Exceptional Children topped all previous records. He attributed the success of the ride which raised \$6,050.39—presented in a check Nov. 28 to the Association chiefly to the cooperation of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7108, which donated the use of Braun Hall to the riders on Friday, Oct. 7 for overnight camping. The V.F.W. also provided security guards and clean-up.

In 14 years of trail riding for this worthy cause, he said, the most ever raised before by the Medina County Trail Riders was \$4,000. Ward expressed his thanks to all members of Post

The trail ride was several days long, and others also contributed to its success.

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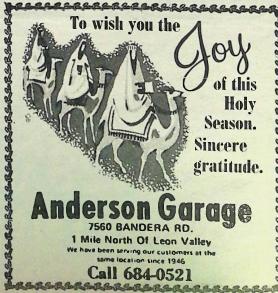
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Loop 1604 Being Widened At UTSA

An increasing accident rate, up an estimated 500 percent since last year, and mounting congestion has caused stop-gap emergency work on Loop 1604 near the University of Texas at San Antonio

The State Department of Highways and Public Tran-sportation is widening Loop 1604 at access areas to the University. The work will permit through traffic to pass vehicles, waiting to turn into the college, on the right. It will also permit additional safety lanes for vehicles entering or leaving the school. This work is designed to provide temporary relief until major and per-manent improvement can be accomplished.

Work now is being done at the intersection of UTSA Blvd, and the west frontage road of IH-10 and the intersections Regency Blvd. and John Peace Blvd. with Loop 1604.

The roadway is being widened there to make room for left-turn lanes. Base material has been added to the existing roadways, and asphaltic concrete pavement surfacing is being applied. Pavement markings and signing will be adjusted to aid motorists using these new turn lanes.

The VFW Post 7108 will man the Salvation Army Christmas Kettle in front of Poor Boy Super Market at Helotes Park for 12 hours from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The proceeds go to make a merrier Christmas for many persons. Everyone is invited to contribute to this timely project. The day is tomorrow, Saturday, Dec. 17.

Holiday Star



DALE KEITH, together with his Starlite Ramblers, will be entertaining Christmas Day at Floore Country Store. He will also be playing for the big annual New Year's Eve dance there. Dale is personally known to his neighbors in Helotes and is a popular favorite of many Country & Western fans throughout the State of

JONATHAN STOVALL CELEBRATES NUMBER 1

Jonathan Stovall, son of Alvis and Delores Stovall, celebrated his first birthday with a party and pinata at his Grandmother Bertha Stovall's house. The theme, Winnie the Pooh, was carried out in the decorations as

well as the pinata.

Among the guests were Grandmother Irene Vela, Great-grandmother Pasquelina Hernandez, Aunt Norma and Uncle Felix Hernandez, Aunt Cindy and Uncle Mike Zurovec, and Aunt Dorothy Hernandez Cousins present included John

Zurovec, Chacho and Ana Lisa Hernandez, Rhonda Casanova and Evette Quinones. Margarite and Randy Kay were there as well as Mr. and Mrs. Pete Cantu and their son, Jimmy and granddaughter, Margaurite.

Nineteen familiar Salvation Army kettles have been set up in San Antonio this year. Donations will help pay the cost of the army's Christmas Cheer Program which will aid some



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Alamo Firefighter Certification School program is approved by the Texas Com-mission on Fire Protection Personnel Standards and Education. The Principal Speaker at Friday night's ceremonies will be Assistant Fire Chief, James D. Miller of the San Antonio Fire Department.

Like to have 10,000 "depen-ent" children to provide toys or this Christmas? The dent' Salvation Army does. And with your help it will bring a smile to the faces of needy youngsters this year. Send your check to Box 719, San Antonio 78293.



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Dec. 16 - Silver Belles Christmas Party. Home of Lucille Stemen, 6:30 p.m. Members and guests.

Dec. 18 - German Christmas Celebration. Institute of Texan Cultures, HemisFair Plaza, 3 p.m. Admission free.

Dec. 18 - 20th Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols. Laurel

Heights United Methodist Church, 227 W. Woodlawn, 7 p.m. Public

Dec. 20 - Monthly meeting Grey Forest City Council, City Hall, Scenic Loop, 7:30 p.m. Citizens and interested persons welcome. Dec. 22 - Leon Valley Grange Christmas Party, Grange Hall, 7 p.m. Gifts to go to Leon Valley Lodge. Members and guests. Jan 3 - Helotes Lions Club dinner and meeting. El Chaparral

Restaurant, 7:30 p.m. Members and guests. Jan 3 - Helotes Women's Club meeting. Scenic Loop Youth Building, 7:30 p.m. Members and guests.

Jan 4 - Helotes Merchants Assn. 8:30 a.m. Chef John's Loft. Jan 5 - VFW Post 7108 regular meeting. Braun Hall, 8 p.m. Members and guests.

Jan 8 - Helotes Hermann Sons Lodge regular meeting. Braun

Hall, 2:30 p.m. Members and guests.

Jan 9 - Helotes Spring Festival Association meeting. Floore Country Store, 8 p.m. Everybody welcome.

(ECHO LOG is a partial list of events of interest to the area.)

Drama Coach Off To London

Charles Jeffries, John Jay High School drama teacher, will leave for London, England, on Dec. 18, to talk on "Status of Theatre in the Secondary Schools in the U.S." and "What Should Anticipate in Theatre for Secondary Students in the Year 2000," at the Stratford-On-Avon Theater.

New Arrival

Dr. and Mrs. William T. Kemmerer recently became grandparents for the first time, when their daughter and son-inlaw, Mr. and Mrs. John Chamberlain Rhodes who reside in Mobile, Alabama, presented them with a grandson. The baby boy, who weighed in at 5 pounds 11 ounces, was named Chad Taylor Rhodes. The new grandmother flew to Alabama last week to meet the new arrival and visit his parents.

VISITORS HERE

Jack and Dorothy Mullen of Castle Hills were among those from San Antonio who observed Guadalupe Day here. Doing his part as "Juan Diego" was Roy Gilbert Balero, son of Roy and Yolanda Balero. The event was extremely well attended and the message and music inspiring.

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Mexico University To Register

The University of Mexico at San Antonio, located in HemisFair Plaza, will hold registration for the spring semester on Jan. 9-21, with classes to begin Jan. 23.

Among new courses to be offered is one which is planned to enable students to handle a simple conversation in Spanish in three weeks.

Regular semester courses meet three times a week,

through May 12. In addition to classes in Spanish language arts, the University of Mexico branch will offer courses in Mexican history, art, literature, and economic development.

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Western Art Show Set For San Antonio Rodeo

Visitors to the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo again will find another of the major attractions to be the annual Alamo Kiwanis Western Art Show & Sale. Exhibited in the gigantic western art gallery— the 15th show—will be more than 1200 paintings, sculptures and wood carvings.

Dates for the art show are concurrent with the Livestock Show, Feb. 10-19.

Over the years, the Western Art Show & Sale has established a reputation as one of the finest in the Southwest, attracting quality art from leading western artists.

On display in the gallery will be water colors, oils, acrylics, etchings and other art forms. Both the sculpture and wood carving divisions have grown rapidly in recent years. The gallery is on the stock show grounds adjacent to Joe Freeman Coliseum.

All art is offered for sale, first come, first served, and priced right. Prices begin at \$50 and run as high as \$3,000, so all buyers find something that fits their pocketbook. Additionally, because of the charity aspect of the show, there is a 30 percent tax deductibility.

Admission is 50 cents. The gallery is open to the public each of the 10 days of the Stock

Show, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
The Alamo Kiwanis Club members stage the show, one of their fund raising projects to support children's charities. Most of the work is done by members and their wives, so there is more money left for charities

Last year a total of 223 artists consigned objects of art to the show. More than 9,000 admissions were sold.

Teachers To Aid **Gifted Students**

Gustavia Griffin, Helotes School science teacher, is one of 28 Northside teachers participating in a special training program for working with gifted and talented students.

The teachers will spend two weeks at the Region XX Education Service Center's "Living Science Center" practicing science experiments to use in Northside classes. They also will study how to identify potential scientists among gifted students between kindergarten and 8th grade

John (Eunice) Goeringer who lives on Scenic Loop Road is scheduled to come home soon after undergoing two operations at Bexar County
Hospital. She was taken to the
hospital by EMS and her
husband and daughter, Beth,
have nothing but praise for the help given her by emergency service as well as by hospital staff. Mrs Goeringer is reported to be regretful that she has had to miss so many Christmas festivities in the community. We wish her a speedy recovery

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Leon Valley



Harry Freeman (left), life chairman of the board of the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo, has announced that Lone Star Antono Stock Show and Rodeo, has aminuted that Dole Star Brewing Company, represented by Barry Sullivan, vice president of marketing, will be the new sponsor of the calf scramble for the 1978 Livestock Show and Rodeo, Feb. 10-19. Always a crowd pleaser, the calf scramble pits twenty 4-H and FFA youngsters against ten calves. Using almost any means possible, the con-testants try to catch and halter a calf. The job is not over until the scrambler drags a calf over the finish line.



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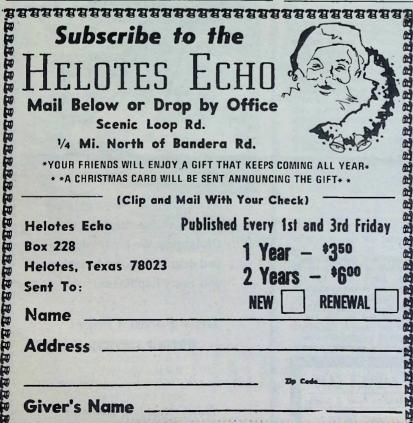
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Edwards aquifer recharge zone is being prepared by the Ed-wards Underground Water District

The EUWD staff in San Antonio is basing the design manual on information contained in the report recently completed by Raba and Associates Consulting Engineers, Inc., of San Antonio covering more than two years of research that was commissioned and funded by the

In addition, after consultation with Dr. Carl F. Raba, Jr., P.E., the district has agreed that EUWD will reprint sufficient copies of the complete report to fill numerous requests for it from all over the country. The engineering firm in turn has agreed to edit, comment on and supplement and draft design manual presented to it by the EUWD. The district will make the final publication available to the engineering profession as soon as it is completed.

The project, the Raba report states, had as a prime objective the finding of a simple method of answering the question: "If evapotranspiration is to be used in a selected area to dispose of liquid wastes, how much . . . area will be needed to construct the system bed?"

For example, using an ef-fluent loading of 400 gallons per day and the minimum evaporation rate for this locale, the project research indicated a 5,500 square-foot area gave the best overall results.

Briefly, the evapotran-spiration system, as compared with conventional septic tank systems, is one in which the liquid effluent goes up instead of down. It is therefore considered safe to use over areas of "tight" soil or areas like the porous Edwards recharge zone that are vulnerable to contamination.

The system utilizes the same basic septic tank for solids that is currently in use. The dif-ference lies in the disposal of water. In this respect, the system is designed to contain septic tank effluent in a watertight ground bed until it is dissipated through the root system and foliage or blades of system and ronage or blaues or surface plantings above the container. The report indicates "carpet grass" is the most efficient but that evergreen plantings should be further tested.

If the disposal field is properly laid out, the ground surface over the system is never saturated, the report says. Grasses used developed deep root systems, (up to 24 inches) to take up the moisture and evaporate it into the air.

The manual being prepared by the EUWD staff in cooperation with Dr. Raba stresses the importance of a water-tight container, the top of which should be no less than 10

inches below the surface.
"It appears," Col. McDonald
Weinert, EUWD general
manager said, "that the use of
two layers of 10 millimeter thickness polyethylene plastic sheeting with 'hospital bed' folded corners and hot asphalt mopping of the entire surface is



Al Joison always wore old clothes to open a new show.

the most viable."

For ease of construction, use of a leveling bed of sand beneath the plastic sheeting is recommended.

Regarding the "life ex-

pectancy" of the plastic, Col. Weinert pointed out this 10-mm polyethylene is the same material installed in the Camp Bullis sewage disposal system some six years ago.



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CLOSED MONDAY - CARLES CONTROL CONTR

Some saw him-some didn't. But Johnny Cash was here Dec. 8 and 9 on his current conquest

of Texas—Helotes included.

The Country & Western bigtimer was not on tour—but rather location for his projected two-hour TV movie to be shown by CBS sometime next May. And he didn't have any obligation to entertain. For the lucky ones who could outlast the more mundane part of filming a movie at high midnight, there was Johnny Cash hitting the C & W tunes like his imitators wish they could.

loore Country Store was the setting for the indoor action. Every table was occupied both nights and we do mean from 6 p.m. to beyond the wee small hours like 7:30 a.m. For those who couldn't keep up with Johnny out in the street shooting a wild scene on a frosty night, there were table hopping comparisons of just how much time would be left for sleeping. Joe Algueseva, owner of

Play It Safe

Giving a child a BB gun or air rifle this Christmas is giving that child a license to blind. The Texas Society the for Prevention of Blindness warns that these and other projectiles

— blowguns, darts and dart
guns, bows and arrows and
slingshots — are not toys but
weapons with an inherent hazard to eyesight.

An estimated 1,288 cases of eye injury caused by air- and spring-operated guns, including BB, were treated in hospital emergency rooms across the United States during 1976, according to a survey reported to the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness, the Texas Society's parent organization. This total does not include those unreported cases treated outside the hospital.

Nominees For Awards Sought

Nominations are now being accepted for Headliner Awards, presented each year to outstanding San Antonio women by the San Antonio Chapter of Women in Communications, Inc.

The awards-which will be given by the organization for the 27th year—will be presented next spring.

Headliners will be recognized three categories: professional achievement. volunteer service and public endeavor. A Headliner Award for communications will also be presented to a WICI member.

Nominees must have been active for at least two years in their professional, volunteer or public work.

Nominations may be submitted by individuals or by organizations. Deadline for

organizations. Beautife for submitting nominations is January 25, 1978. Nomination forms are available from the News and Information Office at UTSA (691-4550).

"We always love those who admire us, but we do not al-ways love those whom we admire." La Rochefoucauld

There's Johnny Right Here In Helotes

Floore's, and his family and workers set some kind of stayup-and-keep-the-customers

happy record. A good many were paid as part of the movie background, but that didn't keep them from enjoying tamales.

The show has been named "Thaddeus Rose and Eddie." In the cast are June Carter Cash,

Noble Willingham and Bo Hopkins to name a few. There were an awful lot of

important looking directors, technicians, and movie hopefuls, too. When the extras got a chance to perform, some of them had the light of stardom in their eyes.

Then there were the homefolks who didn't necessarily approve of the dance steps which looked more like other towns do it than Helotes style.

A good many were there Thursday and Friday both. Friday was cold, but the cast didn't pay it any mind. The only change was that the crew ate outdoors Thursday—or would you say Friday early—and crawled indoors with their catered food into huge vans on Friday or would you say

Saturday early.

The setting includes
Floresville, the Valley and a
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