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## Person to Person

A Tasters Party and open house will be held at the Helotes Area Volunteer Fire Department station on Monday, Oct. 10, from 6 to 9 p.m. The party and open house will be in observance of Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9-16. The Tasters Party will offer a sampling of foods from the Fire Department Auxiliary's cookbook. Orders for the book will be taken at the open house. The public is cordially invited.

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Saturday, Sept. 24, is the date for the Great Gumbo Cookoff at Lakehills on Park Road 37. The good times will start at 3 p.m.

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The Clark High School PTA open house and Green-back Night will be held at the school on Tuesday, Sept. 27, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

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Ryder Howard, who is opening a new photography shop—Texas Color Photographics—in Helotes Park Plaza, has announced a contest for pictures depicting "The Spirit of Helotes." Cash prizes will be awarded. Prints submitted should be 3½"x5", and may be taken to the shop in the drive-thru area of the shopping center or mailed to 12956 Bandera Road, Helotes.

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Carmelia Hackett, Clark High student, won first place in the Roman Life category of the recent National Latin Convention at the University of Rochester, New York.

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Enrollment in the Helotes Fitness Classes to be conducted by the Northwest YMCA at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church will close Sept. 30. The Women's Evening Fitness class will be held Tuesday and Thursday from 7 to 8 p.m., and the Morning "Easy Does It" class will be held Tuesday and Thursday from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. The regular prices are \$15 and \$10 per month, but in September the classes are half-price.

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Westfall Branch Library will display paintings by Marguerite Hailey McCabe and tote and decorative

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## Marshall To Yield Students To New School



Northside District's fifth high school — as yet unnamed — will open in 1985 and will be attended chiefly by students now attending John Marshall. It is being built on Culebra Road about a mile west of Loop 1604 (near the site of the historic Culebra School). Although the official attendance zone will not be adopted by the school board until next year, Associate Superintendent Ed Rawlinson said students from the nearby subdivisions of Misty Oaks, the

Great Northwest, Northwest Crossing, New Territories, Oak Creek and North San Antonio Hills will be in the new school's attendance zone. "It is almost certain that Clark and Holmes High School boundaries will not be changed when the new school opens, and highly unlikely that the Jay High School boundary will be affected." John Marshall seniors will be permitted to finish high school at Marshall.

## City Tax Rate To Go Up To 16 Cents

### Police Add Crime Stop Program 11,890 Enroll At UTSA Hearings Set On Rate, Revenue Sharing Use

The Helotes Police has implemented a Crime Stop program to deter a rising incidence of crime in the area. According to Chief Don Falcon, the program utilizes a telephone number tied to the police department—299-STOP. He said that if citizens use this number, it will facilitate the department's response to the crime scene as such incidents occur.

He reported also that the patrolmen are going door to door and introducing themselves in order to get acquainted with the citizens of Helotes.

The Crime Stop program is

### Sept. 30 Start Set For Riders

The 21st annual Medina County Riders Benefit Trail Ride will assemble at Braun Hall on Friday, Sept. 30, beginning at 5 p.m., and leave Saturday, Oct. 1, for Hondo via Castrovilla. They are expected to arrive at Hondo City Park at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 2.

A dance will be held at Braun Hall Friday night to

intended to bring the Police Department closer to the people, Chief Falcon said. The patrolmen are donating their off duty time to get the program underway.

He reported that 1,459 miles were travelled in the first two weeks of September by patrol units. Many cars were cited, he said, because of heavy traffic flow on Bandera Road and because of violations which could lead to serious accidents on main intersections.

The State Highway Department is presently studying traffic flow to determine if the present speed limits are adequate for Helotes.

which the public is invited. Donations will be \$3. Music will be by the Fleetweld Cowboys.

On Saturday the group will leave Braun Hall at 8:30 a.m., have lunch at Highway 90 and Loop 1604, and arrive at Castrovilla's Koenig Park at 5:30 p.m. A Mexican supper and a second public dance will be held there.

### 11,890 Enroll At UTSA For Fall

Fall enrollment at The University of Texas at San Antonio is 11,890 students, a 6.7 percent increase over fall 1982, Dr. John Brown, UTSA director of admissions and registrar, has announced.

"The area is growing and we're going to continue to grow with it," Dr. Brown said. "While I think we're doing well in the recruitment area, UTSA is a place where a lot of students really want to go to school. They're getting a good education while they are here and are able to find good jobs after graduation. With the quality of education we're providing, it's an extremely good buy for the money," he added.

Credit hours are also up, nine percent to a total of 123,872. Dr. Brown explains that this shows that not only are more students attending UTSA this semester, they are also taking more classes.

Once again, the freshman class is the largest, with 4,077 students enrolled.

By unanimous vote, following a public hearing on Sept. 15 attended by about 45 citizens, the Helotes City Council accepted a proposed 1983-84 Budget which amounts to \$172,108.38. The Council also agreed to increase the tax rate from 11 cents per \$100 evaluation to 16 cents, which requires a public hearing to be held Oct. 6. The hearing will take place at the P.A.R.C. Building in conjunction with the next

regular council meeting and is to begin at 7 p.m.

The basic reason given for the increase was to allow more funds to be budgeted for needed road repairs. Councilman Pat Wootton, who presented a comprehensive street maintenance program, explained that Richard Hearne, a maintenance expert, had noted that the 15 miles of streets in Helotes are now in excellent structural condition. But some residential street asphalt surfaces are oxidizing rapidly, especially in the Circle A area as well as a few other places, including Cross X and Bar D, Antonio Drive at the Creek and the conjunction of Farrigan and Stage-coach.

Citizens present spoke in favor of the necessary repairs and the tax increase. A show of hands proved unanimous for the increase.

Mayor Frank Thompson set a final hearing on the revenue sharing expenditures for the same time as the tax rate hearing, Oct. 6.

### New Church To Have Oktoberfest

Prince of Peace Catholic Church is sponsoring its fourth annual Oktoberfest on Sunday, Oct. 9, on the parish grounds.

The festivities will begin at 10:30 a.m. A barbecue chicken dinner will be served until 3 p.m. Other food booths include fajitas, egg rolls, nachos and chalupas, hot dogs and kraut.



"What a child is taught on Sunday it will remember on Monday."  
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### 'Pioneer Texans'

Institute of Texas Cultures volunteers Kelly Wofford (left) and Oswald Riba show children how to work an old-fashioned corn sheller, one of the many activities to be featured at "A Day in Pioneer Texas," Sunday, Oct. 2, from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Institute. The event is free and open to the public. Family, friends and neighbors are invited to join in the homespun frontier fun, including games, activities and demonstrations.

### Lutherans To Present Coronation

The 25th annual Lutheran Charity Coronation will be held in the San Antonio Theater of the Performing Arts, Saturday, Sept. 24, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The 1983 Coronation is a special celebration of the pageant's 25th anniversary.

The 1983 Court, entitled the

"Court of Silver Memories" will take the participants and the audience down memory lane, as each duchess will represent one of the past Coronations. Each girl's dress and train have been designed after the Coronation program used for that particular year.

The Coronation began in

1959 at St. John's Lutheran Church in San Antonio.

## Person —

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painting by the Alamo Tole and Decorative painters during October. Westfall is located near the intersection Vance-Jackson Road and IH-10 and is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday. Admission is free.

San Antonio alumnae chapter of Phi Mu will meet at 1:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 1, in the home of Jean Youngson, 2702 Woodley. Co-hostess will be Bobbie Sheids, 14223 Bob White. The program will be on social service.

The Helotes School Fun Fair will be held Saturday, Oct. 15, from 12 noon to 6 p.m. The public is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schuh will observe their 49th wedding anniversary Sunday, Sept. 25, with a special ceremony during the 11 a.m. mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. Also participating will be Mr. and Mrs. William Emerick, who will be celebrating their 33rd anniversary.

Helotes Gas-Go Market's Diane will become manager of the new Gas Go shop in Castroville when the new structure there is completed.

Helotes Christian Church's minister, Frank Flacy, invites everybody to a new film series being shown at the church each Sunday for the next nine Sundays. The series is called "Does God Exist?" and the moderator is Scientist John N. Clayton. The hours of showing are 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. each Sunday. Admission to the sound and color films is free.

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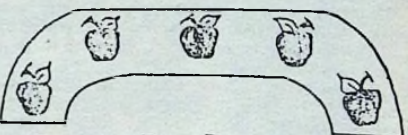
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John McCutcheon (upper left) plays Appalachian music on hammered dulcimer, fiddle, banjo, guitar and autoharp, while the Light Crust Doughboys from Burrus Mills (upper right) play Western swing that they pioneered in the Southwest during the early 1930's. Happy Traum (lower left) from Woodstock, N.Y., has been an international figure in folk, country and old time music for 15 years, as singer, instrumentalist, song writer and

author. The Boys of the Lough (pronounced "lock") sing and play traditional music of Ireland, Scotland, Shetland and Northumberland. All will perform in concerts at the newly-founded Kerrville Goodtime Music Festival, Oct. 7-9, at Rod Kennedy's Quiet Valley Ranch on Highway 16. Nearly two dozen other performers also will appear.

## Kazen Asks More School Aid

Congressman Abraham (Chick) Kazen, Jr. said Wednesday that additional federal funds to educate children of illegal aliens is necessary because local school districts in South Texas cannot carry the burden alone.

Kazen addressed the House of Representatives shortly before House approval of an amendment to H.R. 3520, the Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1983, to provide \$500 to local school districts each year for each alien child enrolled in school.

The Congressman said the legislation is designed to correct an inequity placed upon school districts by a Supreme Court ruling that districts must provide education for all children whether or not they are legal residents.

"I am very, very sensitive to this amendment because I represent the metropolitan area with the highest unemployment in this country," Kazen said in remarks before the House. We have no adequate tax base. We have done everything we can locally by bond issues to build new schools to house these children that through no fault of ours, in our localities, were placed in our schools.

"So, therefore, since this is a federal problem, certainly we should have a federal solution."

Kazen said it has been estimated that the cost of educating an alien child is \$2,500 each year, but that the \$500 would be of great benefit.

## Pat Neff Teachers Study Skills

As children return to school and begin studying and learning this year, so have our teachers. The faculty of Pat M. Neff Middle School will be participating, on their own initiative, in a weekly effort to increase their professional skills.

During the first semester,

teachers will study eighteen specific areas required for teacher competence. These include motivation, communication skills, grading, testing, counseling, professional ethics, teacher responsibility, discipline, and classroom management.

The professional develop-

ment program, called The Master Teacher, is designed to help teachers develop and maintain positive and professional attitudes toward teaching and children. This includes remaining positive toward their individual work as classroom teachers as well as their contribution to

the accomplishments of the entire school. Second, The Master Teacher program gives teachers something new and practical each week that they can apply in their daily work with students. Third, the program helps remind teachers of the things they already know but may

forget to apply in working with students and in getting the work of the school accomplished.

All studies reveal conclusively that it takes a quality teacher to give children a quality education. The simple truth is that desks, books, and classrooms don't teach

students — teachers do.

That's why the teachers of Pat Neff Middle School are doing everything they can to improve their individual teaching skills.



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We especially want to thank those who prepared the Barbecue and helped serve so many. Leon Turner

was the chief Babecue Chef along with Frank Logan, Jr. Linda Montemayor helped, too.

Jesse and Carmen Ibarra and their children took care of the setting and decorating of tables and we appreciate their part.

Thank all of you for coming.

Mike and Clela Mikel

**The Helotes Hills Chapter  
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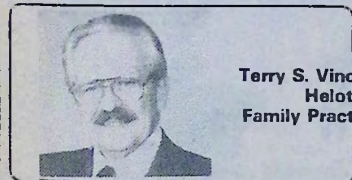
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## COMMENTARY ON "SLIPPED DISK"

By Terry Vincent, M.D.

What's an intervertebral disk? It's the pad between each vertebra in the backbone, a tough and flexible thing that allows twisting and bending of the spine. A disk consists of a tough and elastic outer ring called the annulus fibrosus and a spongy central portion called the nucleus pulposus. A disk does not "slip" at all. The fibrous outer ring weakens, much as the sidewall of a tire gives way, and a bulge forms (just before the blowout!). No longer restricted, the internal jelly is squeezed into the spinal canal, just like a marshmallow pops out between two bricks under pressure. Got that? The pad between vertebrae gets squashed and presses on nerves in the spinal canal.

When this happens, there is pain along the exact course of the nerve being "pinched." Besides causing pain, the pressure might affect sensation, muscle strength, and coordination. This precise area of the pain is often a major clue in determining just where the disk problem lies. The final diagnosis of a herniated disk is made by a myelogram, and x-ray technique that pinpoints the exact location and extent of the disk defect.

About three out of four people can completely recover — if they follow doctor's orders explicitly. Authorities agree the most important thing you can do is go to bed; some say the absolute minimum is two weeks of complete bed rest. Muscle relaxers should be taken exactly as prescribed, whether hurting or not, and the liberal use of pain medication is to be encouraged. Ultrasound or diathermy treatments, heat, and massage may be ordered. The urge to return to activity is great, but you will invite permanent disability unless, I repeat, you go to bed and follow doctor's orders. Then comes the unending — lifetime! — program of keeping the waistline slim and doing exercises daily.

Suppose you are unlucky and your disk problem becomes progressive and eventually disabling. There's still hope. Steroid injections about the affected nerve often afford relief. And two other treatments are available if this doesn't work. The success rate is about 75% for either.

The first is an operation called a laminectomy, which has been around a long time. The disk is surgically removed from between the vertebrae, relieving the pressure on the spinal nerve. The patient is out of bed walking around in a couple of days and usually goes home in about a week. Most can return to light office work in six weeks, but those who do physically demanding work must wait a little longer.

The newer method of treating a herniated disk, successful in over 40,000 patients, is to literally dissolve it with an injection of chymopapain, an enzyme derived from the papaya tree. This sounds simple, but it really isn't. The orthopedic surgeon or neurosurgeon (the only ones qualified to do either procedure) uses an x-ray technique called diskography to make sure the needle is in perfect position. There is one potential serious side-effect that the anesthesiologist must be prepared to deal with: anaphylactic shock, similar to the wasp sting hypersensitivity reaction. This occurs in about one out of every hundred patients receiving chymopapain and, curiously, ten times more often in women than in men. So it's definitely not an office procedure.

Patients may be sent home the day after injection, but severe muscle spasms can occur, so most stay another day or two. The home program of bed rest and medication is continued until an evaluation permits activity.

What's best for your back problem? That's up to your doctor, who will decide whether you're a candidate for chymopapain injection or would be better served by an operation. At any rate, your chances of returning to productive activity are pretty good with either, so don't suffer in silence. It may lead to permanent disability.

## Jacob Seewald Dies At 71

Jacob Seewald, a former rancher and farmer in the Culebra area of Helotes, died in Boerne, where he had resided for 16 years, on Friday, September 16, 1983 at the age of 71.

He was a native of Helotes and was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church of Helotes and the Helotes Hermann Sons Lodge.

He is survived by his sisters, Ada Seewald of Boerne and Helotes, and Ida Oetken of San Antonio; and a brother, Carl Seewald, of the Helotes area. In addition, he leaves seven nieces and nephews and many longtime friends.

Funeral services were held on Monday, Sept. 19 at the Zion Lutheran Church of Helotes with Pastor Paul Probst officiating. Interment was in the Zion Lutheran Cemetery of Helotes.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

## UTSA To Display Glass Art

Stained, cast, painted, cut, blown—glass can be manipulated a dozen different ways and still maintain its utilitarian aspects. Glass as an art form, however, has been only recently rediscovered, and the medium attracts some of the most talented artists in the world today.

"Rebirth of a Medium" an exhibit tracing the history of glass and its artistic resurrection, will be on display Oct. 3 through Oct. 28 in the Gallery of The University of Texas at San Antonio. The exhibit is free.



## Lecturer

Former German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt will open the 1983-84 Trinity University Distinguished Lecture Series on Oct. 18. Schmidt has been instrumental in shaping today's world, and is the most popular politician in his country. No tickets are needed for his talk on "American and European Relations" at 8 p.m. in Laurie Auditorium.

## Bill Skelly Dies At 57

William D. (Bill) Skelly, well-known member of the staff of Mr. C's Auto Parts, died Thursday, Sept. 8, in a San Antonio hospital after a brief illness. He was 57.

Bill is survived by his wife Mildred, his son Bryan of Pipe Creek, his mother Carrie of San Antonio and a sister, Mrs. Wilma Welch of Texas City.

He was a navy veteran of World War II, a civil service worker at Kelly Air Force Base for 23 years, and with Mr. C's for seven.

He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and of St. Paul's Catholic Church, where a funeral mass for him was said on Saturday morning, Sept. 10, before burial in San Fernando Cemetery No. 2.

## Blue Birds Set Classes

Orientation classes for membership in the Blue Bird Auxiliary will be held at Methodist Hospital on Oct. 10 and 11.

All prospective volunteers are required to attend the class at 7 p.m. on Oct. 10, and may attend either the 9:30 a.m. or 7 p.m. class on Oct. 11.

All classes will be held in

the 5th Floor Auditorium at Methodist Hospital.

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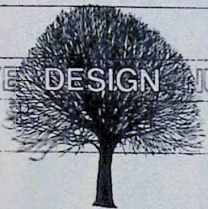
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## Methodist Hospital To Celebrate

Tom C. Frost, who was on Methodist Hospital's original board of trustees and was its first treasurer, will give the hospital's 20th Anniversary address at a come-one-come-all community open house beginning at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25.

The ceremonial portion of Sunday's program will begin out on the hospital's lawn. A 36-foot banner proclaiming the 20th Anniversary is currently stretched across the front of the building.

In the event of rain Sunday, guests will assemble instead on the first floor mall level of Methodist Plaza, across Medical Drive from the hospital.

Following the opening ceremony, visitors are invited to tour Methodist's newborn nursery, a portion of the operating room suite, radiology, the Fortner Outpatient Surgery Center and the hyperbaric medicine department.

"Little minds are wounded by the smallest things."  
La Rochefoucauld

## Checkpoint Chiefs



In charge of the Helotes checkpoint during the recent Texas 300 cross-country motorcycle race were Mr. and Mrs. Tex Hodges of New Braunfels. Tex and Terri were set up under the trees at the edge of the Helotes Inn parking lot. Nearly 600 motorcycles passed through Helotes that afternoon. (Staff photograph)

George Custer was the youngest American man ever to make rank of General in the American army—he achieved that by age 23.

## Business Women Set Enrollment

San Antonio Liberty Chapter of the American Business Women's Association will hold a fall Enrollment Event, Sept. 26, at 6:30 p.m. according to Mrs. Alice Lee, chapter president.

During September, ABWA chapters throughout the country will hold similar events, focusing on the theme, "ABWA: Passport to New Horizons" — through the association's expanded opportunities for personal and professional goals for business women.

Founded in 1949 in Kansas City, ABWA is an influential national organization with a membership exceeding 110,000 from all types of businesses and professions, in over 2,000 chapters in the United States and Puerto

Rico. The association's objective is to promote the professional, educational, cultural, and social advancement of business women. Educational in nature, ABWA chapters awarded more than \$2,000,000 in scholarships to women students in the past year. In addition, the ABWA National Scholarship Fund awarded \$280,000 more in scholarships during the same period.

Women who are employed or self-employed are eligible for membership. For further information about ABWA and this special event, interested business women may contact Mrs. Helen Seely, 677-8191 or 681-5365, or Mrs. Elenora Jubela, 661-6835. Membership is by invitation only.

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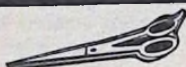
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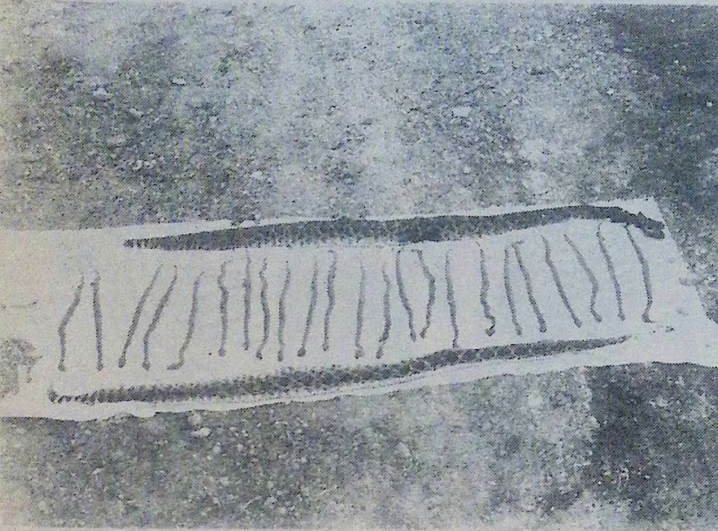
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## Rattlers By The Dozen



These rattlesnakes, a 3-foot female (cut into two halves) and her 23 offspring were killed last week on Bandera Road near Huebner where an old house was being torn down. (A Texaco station and nursery also had been cleared from the site.) Five or six large snakes fled from under the old building. The female was the only one killed.



Two of the baby rattlesnakes were photographed close up to show that the young have their eyes open even before being born. The 23 babies were discovered when the female was split open prior to taking its skin. Charles and Ray Parkman, who live next to the property, witnessed the event. The pictures were made by Photographer Leo C. Steward, Jr., of Verde Hills.

### Supervisors urged to think twice when giving raises

COLLEGE STATION—Many supervisors ought to think twice before giving higher salaries to prize employees who threaten to quit their jobs for another offer.

"Employers will sometimes do anything to keep high performers, but there's a limit to what's fair," said Dr. Michael Abelson, a Texas A&M University management professor.

"If you give an employee a 25 percent raise to compete with an offer from another employer, chances are other employees who perform as well but don't have similar offers will resent the action. They might ask for raises themselves, or start looking for other jobs."

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For ten straight days, visitors to the Alamo City will be charmed and bewitched by such country music superstars as Charley Pride, the Texas Top Hands, Louise Mandrell, Lee Greenwood, T. G. Sheppard and the country

music entertainer himself, Roy Clark, at the sixteen performances of the action-packed rodeo.

In addition, San Antonio's own Texas Top Hands will appear at a special performance on the stock show grounds on Saturday, Feb. 11, at 10 a.m.

The line-up for the star-studded rodeo performances will be:

Charley Pride — 2 & 7:30 p.m., Friday & Saturday, Feb. 10 & 11.

The Texas Top Hands — 10 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 11.

Louise Mandrell — 2 & 7:30 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 12. 7:30 p.m., Monday, Feb. 13.

Lee Greenwood — 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 14. 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 15.

T. G. Sheppard — 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 15. 7:30 p.m., Friday, Feb. 17.

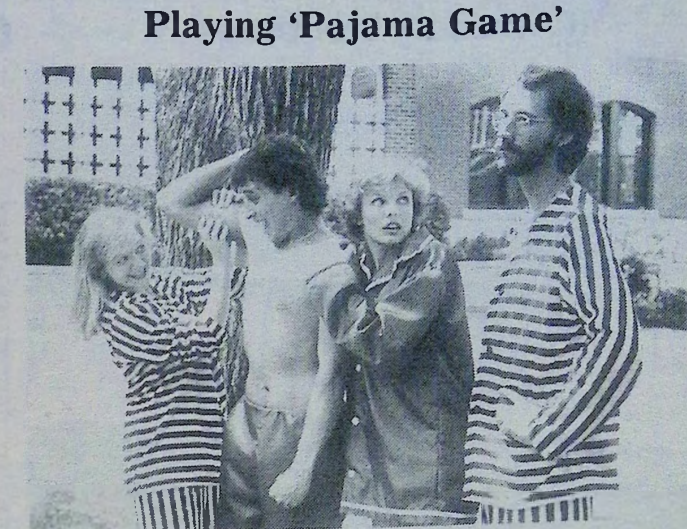
Roy Clark — 2 & 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 18. 2 & 7:30 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 19.

Ticket order forms will be available in November, according to Nat Prassel, president of the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo.

## UTSA To Present 5 Concerts

Five distinguished American musicians, performing on organ and harpsichord, will present a series of concerts scheduled through the spring at The University of Texas at San Antonio.

The series will open with a recital by Dr. Larry Palmer on Sept. 30 at 8 p.m. in the Recital Hall. Dr. Palmer is director of graduate studies in music and professor of harpsichord and organ at the Meadows School of the Arts, Southern Methodist University.



Performers in the musical "The Pajama Game," to open Sept. 29 and run through Oct. 15 in the Elizabeth Ruth Maddux Theater at Incarnate Word College, include Cheryl Lee Hanson, Philip Salas Nolan, Karen Lynne Gray and Sam Burris. The saga of life, love and labor relations involving pajama factory workers originally opened on Broadway in 1954.

Future concerts will feature performances by organists Frederick Swann on Oct. 21, Todd Wilson on Nov. 4, Marilyn Mason on Jan. 20 and Jerald Hamilton on Feb. 17.

Guest recitalists will perform on UTSA's recently acquired pipe organ and harpsichord. The harpsichord, built by Gerald Self, was modeled after the double manual harpsichords con-

structed in France during the 16th century. The three-manual tracker organ has 38 stops and 57 ranks. Built by the Canadian firm of Casavant Freres, Ltd., the pipe organ was designed acoustically and physically for UTSA's Recital Hall.

Each recitalist in the Organ and Harpsichord Series will also conduct a "Master Class" on campus for UTSA music students.

After playing a piece of music, students' performances will be reviewed and critiqued by the guest artist. The five performances have been made possible by a grant from the Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation.

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# UTSA Archaeologists Make Major Finds In Maya Ruins

What may possibly prove to be one of the earliest examples of Maya writing is one of the major finds made during the 1983 season of excavation of the Maya city of Colha, in Belize, Central America.

Other major discoveries uncovered last spring include early domestic and cemetery data providing a key link in tracing the development of Maya civilization, a cache of offerings which provides insight into an important ritual, and evidence related to the Maya "collapse" around A.D. 850-900.

Since 1979, the Center for Archaeological Research at The University of Texas at San Antonio has been coordinating a large scale investigation of the ancient Maya site of Colha. Collaborating institutions include Texas A&M University and the Centro Studi Ricerche Ligabue in Venice. The University of Texas at Austin became a collaborating institution in the project in 1983.

Colha is one of the few continuously-occupied Maya cities. Excavations have revealed that the site was in use from at least 900 B.C. until A.D. 1250 — a time span of more than 2,000 years. The site covers more than four square miles, and within this area are several hundred mounds representing the houses, shrines, civic and political structures and workshops of the ancient Maya community.

The unique aspect of Colha is that the city was a craft-specialized, industrial-level center. Stone tools, for agricultural and building purposes, were mass-produced in the millions. Most of these tools were apparently destined for use in a region that is now northern Belize. Some specialized Colha tools, such as large stone daggers, were apparently traded as elite goods to such sites as Tikal and El Mirador

in Guatemala, and perhaps as far away as sites in the Mexican state of Chiapas.

Craft specialization and mass production of this sort is one of the key elements in the development of Maya civilization — a process that was well underway some 300 to 400 years earlier than archaeologists once thought, according to Dr. Thomas Hester, project administrator and director of the UTSA Center for Archaeological Research.

"But while Colha stands out in light of its importance as a stone tool mass-production center, its archaeology mirrors many of the facets of Maya cultural development," Dr. Hester says. "Indeed, many finds at Colha have shed new light on this development — from its origins to its collapse. While Colha does not have huge pyramids or standing architecture, it is clear that its ancient inhabitants played a major role in the regional economy for more than 2,000 years."

Even in later times, such as the Late Classic period (A.D. 600-900), Dr. Hester explains, Colha still served as a stone tool production center, but the nature of production changed dramatically. The emphasis shifted from tools to be used in farming and forest clearance to projectile points to be used as weapon tips. This may reflect regional warfare, he says, perhaps between communities or against Maya groups beginning to press into the area from the north.

Even during its final occupation, in the Early Postclassic period (A.D. 900-1250), the stone tool-makers were still at work in Colha. The level of production was considerably diminished: emphasis was on spear points, presumably for both warfare and hunting.

The finds of the 1983 season added to archaeologists'

understanding of the history of Colha as traced through stone tool production, but some of the most significant discoveries illuminate other areas of Maya life.

Colha was occupied during the beginnings of Maya civilization, early Middle Preclassic (900-600 B.C.) The remnants of the occupation have been extensively excavated and the evidence from domestic areas and burial sites point to long-distance trading, even at this early date.

A Late Preclassic (300 B.C.-A.D. 250) cemetery and a series of ritual offering or caches provide insights into the ritual activities of the culture. The discoveries enable researchers "to trace the emergence of aspects of social structure and ceremonial practices at the time of stone tool mass-production," Dr. Hester explains.

The cache of artifacts believed to be used in a blood-letting ceremony are of particular significance since archaeologists believe the ritual was an important part of Maya religious life.

Found in a Late Preclassic pottery vessel cache were two vessels with curious incised designs resembling Maya hieroglyphs. Dr. Hester says that preliminary studies indicate that they may well be early forms of Maya writing, "perhaps even preceding or leading up to the earliest recognizable, or readable, forms of Maya glyphs," he says. Experts are continuing to study the vessels.

Also at Colha, archaeologists have uncovered some of the best evidence found to date relating to the yet-unexplained "collapse"

of the Maya civilization. Most spectacular is the "skull pit" found in 1980 which contained the skulls of 28 men, women and children who had been decapitated.

"We hypothesize the invasion of Colha by Maya from northern Yucatan around A.D. 850," Dr. Hester says, based on evidence of the skull pit and other excavations at Colha. "We think that the ruling elite families were killed and that the community dispersed."

"This was followed by an occupation (900-1250 A.D.) by people who were clearly 'foreign' — their pottery, diet, stone tools, etc., clearly link them Northern Yucatec Maya."

An exhibit of the most recently discovered artifacts

will be on display Oct. 24-Dec. 9 in the John Peace Library at UTSA.

The excavations at Colha were supported by the Centro Studi Ricerche Ligabue (1979-1981) and in 1983 funds came from the National Endowment for the Humanities, National Geographic Society, Earthwatch, Inc., American Philosophical Society, Lende Foundation of San Antonio, and by more than 50 private donors, many from the San

Antonio area.

Project co-directors are Dr. R.E.W. Adams and Jack Eaton from UTSA, Dr. Harry Shafer from Texas A&M, and Dr. Giancarlo Ligabue from Venice. Numerous students in field schools from UTSA have been involved in the project since 1979. Universities represented include UTSA, UT Austin, Texas A&M, Harvard, University of New Mexico and University of Pennsylvania.

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## A&M researchers investigating highway hardware

COLLEGE STATION—As cars get smaller, the probability of driver injury in accidents will increase unless changes are made in highway hardware such as barriers and sign posts, warns a transportation researcher.

Dr. Donald L. Woods, a research engineer with the Texas Transportation Institute (TTI) headquartered at Texas A&M University, outlined the needed changes in a recent article for ITE Journal, a national transportation studies publication.

He said American automakers are "down-sizing" present maximum vehicle weights—from about 3,500 pounds in 1975 to just over 3,000 pounds by 1995, and to 2,500 pounds by 1990. By 1995, they are expected to introduce new two-passenger urban vehicles weighing only 1,000-1,500 pounds.

Woods said lower, narrower and lighter vehicles will be less stable than those on the road now. Potholes and changes in roadway section heights will be more serious problems for small cars.

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### New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cross of Star Route, Helotes, have announced the birth of Nikki Renee Cross, born Sept. 1. She weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches high.

To welcome her home was her 3-year-old brother, Brian.

Grandparents are Mrs. and Mrs. John R. Seifert and Mrs. Joe R. Cross, all of San Antonio.

She has three great grandmothers. They are Clara M. Schwarz and Norma Fielding, of San Antonio, and Emma Seifert of Lexington.

Nikki also has several aunts and uncles that adore her.

## Quilt Exhibit Opens At Medical Center

More than 30 quilts ranging from those made in the late 1800's to contemporary pieces continue on display through October in the auditorium foyer in The University of Texas Health Science Center.

"The Log Cabin and the Star—American Quilts" is on exhibit from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and 1 to 5 Sundays. The show is in conjunction with the citywide "The Artist and the Quilt: A Collaborative Celebration."

San Antonio folk art and

textile collector Harriet Christian has gathered examples of two traditional quilting patterns from throughout the country for this exhibition.

This is an interpretive show rather than simply a group of quilts," she explains. "The exhibition depicts how a tradition has changed through the years."

The "logs" in a log cabin quilt usually are narrow rectangles of material. Many early log cabin quilts included a small red square in the center to represent the glow-

ing chimney of the log cabin.

The star pattern, the other pattern explored in the show, is one of the most popular designs in quilting. "We chose to focus on stars because we could so easily include examples from across the quilting tradition," Christian says.

American quilts were developed to meet immediate needs of the users, she points

out. Patterns evolved from the necessity of using what was available in terms of scraps of material, and trying to put these into some sort of artistic form.

Abalone steak, the popular seafood dish found along the Pacific Coast and in Japan, comes from the muscular foot of the snail.

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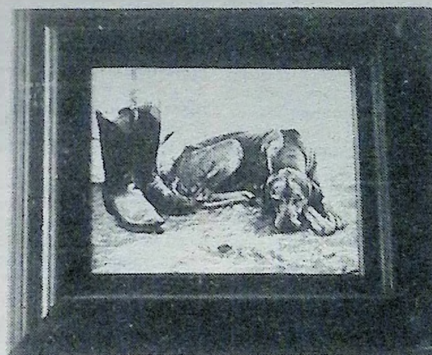
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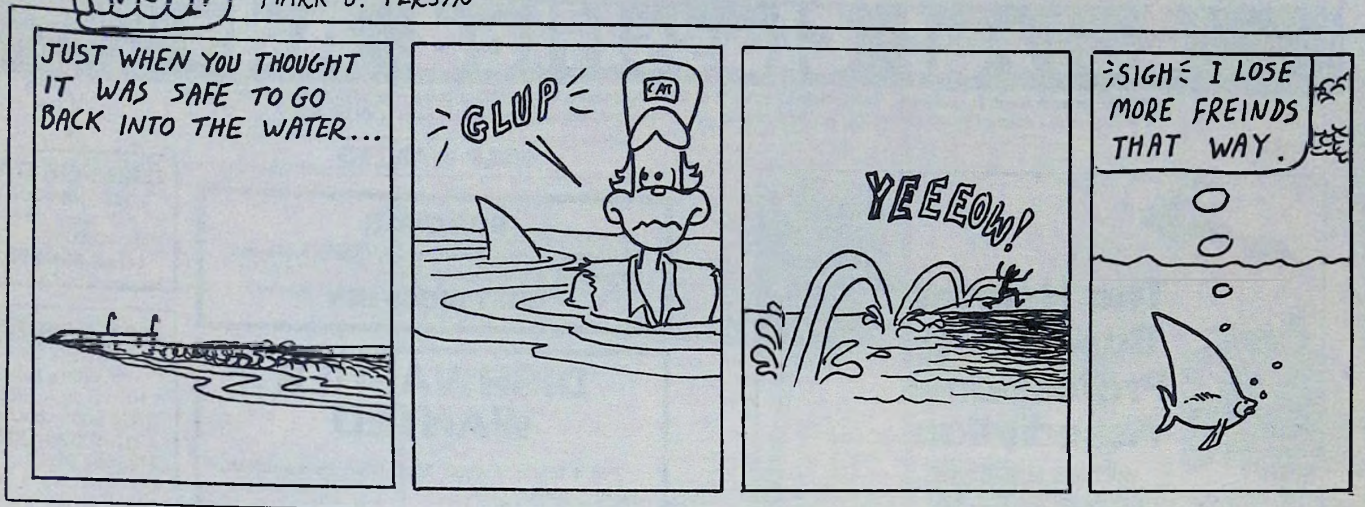
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ment will be the following groups: Beethoven Concert Band, Beethoven Damenchor, Beethoven Kinderchor, Deutsche Adler Polka band, San Antonio Hermann Sons Mixed Chorus, San Antonio Hermann Sons Polkateers, San Antonio Liederkranz, and the Texanischer Gebirgs Saengerbund, plus the Texas Bach Choir as special guest

group. There also will be some selected soloists.

In addition to celebrating the arrival of the first group of German immigrants who established Germantown, Pennsylvania, on Oct. 6, 1683, the Oct. 6 event in San Antonio will commemorate the arrival of German settlers of Texas more than 150 years ago.



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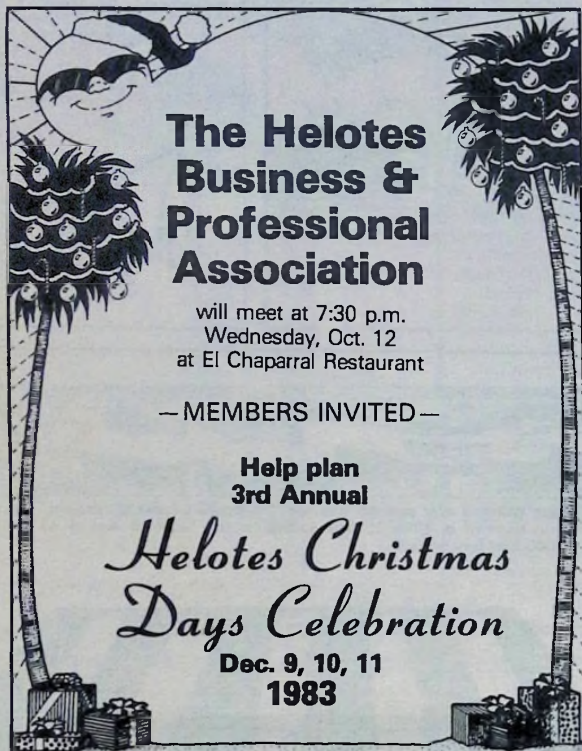
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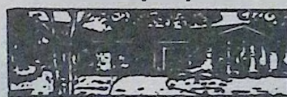
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auditorium at association  
headquarters. He will speak  
about current issues in San  
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McCombs' career began in  
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The "Texas Abandoned Motor Vehicle Act," which grants authority for the sale of these vehicles, also provides to the purchase of these vehicles a vehicle free and clear of all liens. This entitles the purchaser to register the vehicle and receive a certificate of title.



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## Jaycee Women To Aid Fund

The San Antonio Jaycee Women will sponsor a Brewfest for Cystic Fibrosis on Sunday, Oct. 2, from 1 p.m. until dark, at the Midnight Rodeo, 12260 on Nacogdoches Road.

The Countrymen and Renegade will provide live country and rock music during the outdoor event, which will feature free beer and vendor booths offering food, crafts and T-shirts. All participants will be eligible for door prizes to be given away throughout the afternoon. Admission to the Brewfest will be a \$5 donation to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

## Tezel Road To Get New Center

"A heavily populated area, Northwest Crossing is experiencing significant growth in the residential neighborhoods, creating a demand for retail/office space in an area that is virtually without centers of this nature," said Mike Van Meter, vice president of NPC's commercial/multi-family division.

Northwest Crossing Center, Victorian in design, will be completed for occupancy in January, 1984.

Northwest Crossing Center, a Nash Phillips/Corpus retail/office development, is currently under construction, announce officials of the company's commercial division.

Northwest Crossing Center is located on Tezel Road at the entrance to the residential neighborhood of Northwest Crossing. With 20,000 square feet of space, the center is the first retail/office development to be introduced to the area.

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## Ensemble To Play Sept. 29

A fall concert of contemporary compositions will be presented by the UTSA Wind Ensemble on Sept. 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the UTSA Recital Hall.

Under the direction of Dr. Robert Rustowicz, the Wind Ensemble will perform a number of lively pieces for band, including Franz von Suppe's "Light Cavalry Overture" and "Divertimento for Band" by Persichetti. A transcribed organ composition, "Mein junges Leben hat ein End," by the seventeenth century Dutch composer Sweelinck, is also included in the program.

The Wind Ensemble will also perform an interpretation of David Cope's "Towers," a contemporary composition employing a non-traditional form of musical notation. "Flute Cocktail" by Harry Simone, Khachaturian's "Armenian Dances" and "Lola Flores" by Tucci will round out the evening's performance.

The UTSA Wind Ensemble concert, sponsored by the Division of Arts and the public is invited to attend.

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## UTSA Tennis Team Opens At Lamar

The University of Texas at San Antonio women's tennis team began its fall schedule Thursday, Sept. 22, when the players traveled to the Lamar Invitational in Beaumont.

An eight-team event, the tourney will run three days (Sept. 22-24) and will showcase such Division I teams as 1982 champion Texas A&M, the University of Houston, Northeast Louisiana, Louisiana Tech and

UTSA.

Only six of the eight-member squad will be making the trip. They are top seed Brenda Niemeyer, Laurie Runyan, Shelly Holmes, Kelly McAfee, Jennifer Bettauer and Maria Barger.

Play will be in a dual match formation with all teams beginning competition at 9 a.m.

Under third-year coach Becky Roberts, the UTSA

tennis team has improved its record tremendously and when the fall season begins, will "start receiving the recognition it deserves."

"We still don't have any big national stars," said Roberts, "but every year we've gotten better — in recruiting and in match play. This year we're a good solid group of players with more depth in the lower positions than we've had in the past... We're still extremely young, especially the men, but I think you'll see some good tennis from this group."

With seven returning lettermen on the combined squad of 18, that shouldn't be difficult. Senior and two-year letterman Brenda Niemeyer is back in the No. 1 spot for the women while junior Scott McKay and sophomore Bobby Duran battle for the top honor for the men.

"Tennis is an all-year sport," said Roberts, "and as such, takes a special breed of individual to play it competitively. I can't say a lot about this team yet, too many of them are new to the (UTSA) squad (11). But I do have some personal expectations from the fall season. And those are to help this team develop. We'll be doing a weight and long distance running program, heat conditioning and tournament play up until Thanksgiving, and when that time rolls around, we'll see if we're there."

## In Playhouse Comedy



Juli Sommars and Earl Holliman star in the well-known comedy, "Same Time, Next Year," now through Oct. 23 at the Fiesta Dinner Playhouse on Loop 1604. Holliman, vice president of the playhouse, announced recently that it will close on Jan. 1 because of the increased cost of producing plays there.

## Horlen To Coach UTSA Golf

Former major league pitcher star, Joe Horlen, who resides in San Antonio, will become The University of Texas at San Antonio's volunteer assistant golf coach.

Horlen, a golfing enthusiast and a scratch golfer, will assist the UTSA athletic program with coaching, recruiting and helping to draw attention to The University. "I talked to Rudy (Davalos) before there were varsity sports at UTSA and I said anytime he needed any help, he should let me know," Horlen said. "I guess he took me up on it."

Commenting on the second-year UTSA golf program, Horlen says the team is not going to win all its matches, but will be very competitive. "I'm going to help recruit some players and establish a

competitive schedule for the team," he said. "We're starting our first fall program now, and we'll have an excellent schedule next spring. I think we can do real well this season."

Horlen spent 11 years in major league baseball with the Chicago White Sox and the Oakland A's as a pitcher. He was a member of the 1972 Oakland World Championship team. In 1967, he made the All-Star team, led the American League in earned run average and shutouts and also threw a no-hitter against the Detroit Tigers.

A native San Antonian, Horlen played his schoolboy baseball at Burbank High School. He went on to star at Oklahoma State University, where he was on the 1959 NCAA National Championship team and was selected as an All-American.

## Edwards Wells Drop Slightly

A comparatively normal August — hot and mostly dry — saw water well levels and spring flow decline throughout the five-county Edwards Underground Water District, the district's office has announced.

One exception to the drop in levels was the index well at Sabinal, which had a reading

at the end of August that was nine-tenths of a foot above the reading at the end of July.

Comal Springs at New Braunfels continued to decline, falling off 30 cubic feet per second to a flow of 208 cfs, well below the longterm average flow of 299 cfs.

Following are the water

well levels at the end of August shown in altitude above mean sea level with the historical high levels in parentheses:

Castroville: 675.4 feet, down 3.9 feet (737.8).

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