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Person-to-Person

Carolyn A. Terrell, John Marshall High senior and resident of Helotes, was awarded top honors in the Fashion and Apparel area of Marshall's Distributive Education program. Carolyn will go to Dallas next week to compete at the state level. The DE program prepares students for a role in marketing and sales and recognizes outstanding achievement and the demonstration of leadership.

We regret that Al Komray of Helotes Park Estates has had to retire temporarily from his American Center motor sales company, on the advice of his doctors. "The doctors want me to take about a six-month rest and recuperation period, before deciding on my heart condition," he said. Hopefully, stress is the problem rather than the heart.

Also in the hospital this week for R&R was 93-year-old Celestino Sanchez of San Geronimo. He is the father of Mrs. Ella Dunford. After one week he was saying, "I've got to get out of here; they're starving me to death." So he sounds like they are not going to get him down.

Mike Mikel is the new church and grounds chairman for the Helotes Hills United Methodist Church, where work is pushing ahead on the new PARC building. The sheetrock for the building has been donated, and the students at the Nazarene Seminary on Braun and Galm roads have volunteered to install it.

During the recent Pre-Festival Fundraiser, Jerry Lane of La Fuente Street in San Antonio was awarded a 200-pound side of beef which was prepared freezer-ready by the Helotes General Store, active boosters of the annual Festival. The upcoming Festival—Cornyval '77 is already a major topic at the General Store coffee klatch there daily.

The husband of Mrs. Evelyn Rogers, librarian at Coke R. Stevenson Middle School, recently was named assistant managing editor of the San Antonio Express. He is Jay Rogers, who went to work for the Express in 1959.

Miss Helotes Contest Opens

The 1977 Helotes Spring Festival—Cornyval XII—will open Wednesday, April 27, with the Miss Helotes Pageant.

To compete for the title all applications must be in by March 31.

Applications may be obtained by calling Mrs. Catherine Langlinais at 695-3510, Mrs. Vivian McMullan at 695-9137, or Mrs. Sybil Williams at 695-8854, or from the Attendance Office at John Marshall High School.

The new queen will receive her crown from Miss Lisa McMullan, the reigning Miss Helotes.

The following qualifications are listed for those interested in running for Miss Helotes 1977:

(1) The girl must live within the boundaries of the Helotes Elementary School. (2) Must be a sophomore, junior or senior in high school. (3) Must be prepared to model in Western clothes, street dress and formal dress. (4) Be willing to travel to surrounding towns and communities to represent Helotes. (5) Include a picture with her name on the back. (6) Be willing to abide by the judges' decision.

The applicant must also include a short resume, which lists her hobbies, talents, clubs and ambitions and contains a paragraph on "Why I would like to become Miss Helotes."

The entry fee of \$5 must also accompany each application.

The new Miss Helotes and her duchesses will ride in the Cornyval Parade Saturday morning, May, 1, and appear at other Cornyval functions during the weekend.

February Rainfall

Henry Brauchle of Poor Boy Ranch, weather observer for the Helotes area, has reported a scant 1.2 inches of rain in February—and a corollary recording of 21 clear, sunny days during the month.

February this year was not too different from February last year, however, when only 1.5 inches of rain were recorded by Mr. Brauchle.

"In March last year we didn't have much rain either, but then in April 1976 we had 11½ inches," he said.

He also commented with regard to the long siege of cold weather this winter, "We still didn't reach the lowest temperature ever recorded here—that was zero on January 31, 1949."

Progress Hits Helotes

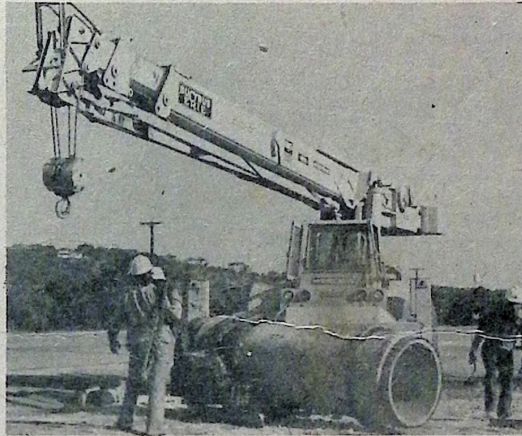


Photo by Bill Terry

Two-foot water mains are going in along Bandera Road heading for San Antonio Ranch. This is just beyond the downtown loop near El Chaparral Restaurant. Blasting has been necessary in the rocky terrain, and the dust has been flying, but weather has cooperated and the work appears on schedule. City of San Antonio water will be delivered to homes soon to be built at the Ranch about two miles distant.

Rabies Shots Due April 16

An area-wide vaccination of dogs will be sponsored by the Grey Forest city council on Saturday, April 16, at the Grey Forest City Hall on Scenic Loop. Councilwoman Ruth Morris

said the vaccination service will be available from 1 to 4 p.m. Rabies shots will be \$4 per animal, and the DHL shots will be \$8.

Rt. 1, Helotes To Be Expanded

"Growth of our Helotes area is now evidenced by the first rural route being established from the Helotes Post Office," Postmaster Vi Swift announced this week.

In the very near future, Route 1, Helotes, will serve not only Helotes Ranch Acres Units 1 and 2 but also Helotes Park Estates and Helotes Creek Ranch areas as well.

The carrier for this route will be based from the Helotes Post Office, thus establishing this route from Helotes instead of from the San Antonio office. In years past Helotes Route 1 was carried by the Route 15 carrier from the University Park Station in San Antonio.

Establishing this route from the Helotes Post Office will give the route boxholders better service and a much earlier daily delivery of their mail, Mrs. Swift said.

Persons living in Helotes Park Estates and Helotes Creek Ranch should no longer use "San Antonio, Texas 78228" as their address. Instead, they should use the street number and street name and Helotes, Texas 78023.

Postmaster John J. Saldana of San Antonio has notified residents

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LEARNING TO TAKE IT EASY



Participants in "Conscious Progressive Relaxation," a UTSA Division of Continuing Education course, discover that relaxation can take many forms as they learn to ease tension and increase energy through exercise. For information on joining classes, contact UTSA.

Photo by Gil Barrera

Al Wanke Dies

At 42

Al Eugene Wanke, 42, of 5406 Newcome Drive, died Feb. 23 in a San Antonio hospital.

His survivors include his wife, Mrs. Carolyn Glass Wanke; four sons, Mark, Phillip, Eric and Bryan; a brother, Carl O. Wanke, principal of Marshall High School, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Wanke of Hills and Dales.

Survivors living in Scenic Loop area are his grandfather, Otto Weltner, and two aunts, Mrs. Hub Stappenbeck and Mrs. Rudy Minohr.

Mrs. Wanke had worked for the U.S. Department of Labor in San Antonio.

Special Olympics To Be At Northside Stadium

athletes.

A highlight of the two-day track meet will be a challenge wheel chair match between Northside students and KAPE Disc Jockey Hal King.

Conducted under the auspices of the Kennedy Foundation, Northside Special Olympics is a track meet for handicapped students from age eight.

According to Special Olympics Director, Harold Means, the event will be run-off in two days, March 8 and 9 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch will be served at the Northside Stadium.

Jay High School cheerleaders will add spirit to the occasion on

Wednesday, March 9. Pease Middle School Band, under the direction of Harry Yokel, will perform for opening ceremonies, March 8.

Track and field events include the 25 yd. wheel chair race, a 60 yd. wheel chair relay, wheel chair obstacle course, and softball throw.

Less-confined youngsters will compete in a tug-o-war, 200-yd. shuttle relay, 440-yd. relay, high jump, standing long jump, softball throw, mat gymnastics and five distance races.

Northside students will go on to compete in City Special Olympics at Alamo Stadium on April 17.

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Baptists Plan Giant Campaign

The Helotes Baptist Church congregation and their pastor, the Rev. Jerry Reeves, will begin Sunday, March 6, participation in a four-week statewide evangelism media campaign, called "Living Proof," that will seek to raise spiritual and moral awareness among all Texans.

Before ending in April, the campaign is expected to reach every Texas resident at least 40

times through TV, radio, newspapers, magazines, outdoor billboards and transit advertising.

The campaign will feature testimonies by well-known Americans who have experienced changed lives through religion—including Dean Jones, Eldridge Cleaver, Jeannie C. Riley, Connie Smith, and Billy Johnson of the Houston Oilers.

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Edwards Wells

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At year's end, five new highs were recorded at springs and wells of the Edwards Aquifer, the Edwards Underground Water District has announced.

New water level records were set at the regularly measured wells at Uvalde, Sabinal, Hondo and Castrovilla. The Dec. 30 reading at a well in the major water-using city of San Antonio was only 3.8 feet under its all-time high of 696.5 feet, established on Oct. 22, 1973.

The only Edwards well that was down was the well at Kyle, down 2.9 feet.

The Leona River Springs near Uvalde were flowing at their greatest ever, 77.9 cubic feet of water per second. The San Marcos Springs were up slightly, and the Comal Springs at New Braunfels were down 44 cubic feet per second.

Trinity University will sponsor a performance of Mozart's comic opera, "The Marriage of Figaro," in Laurie Auditorium, March 18, beginning at 8 p.m. The performance will be given by the Texas Opera Theater of Houston. Tickets are \$5, \$4 and \$3.

Photographs of the Southwest by Ken Holloway, Sr., will be exhibited in Westfall Branch Library during March. Westfall is located at Loop 410 and Vance-Jackson Rd.

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If you have noticed a bright new look to the community bulletin board on Circle A Drive in Helotes Park Estates, thank the efforts of three homeowners. Mr. Rhett Ransone, Ms. Jan Veitch and Mrs. Jean Rogers combined their talents with some hard work to renovate the board. It had fallen into such disrepair it was fast becoming an ugly, useless structure.

The project of restoring the board was under the direction of the Helotes Home Owners Association with the permission of Dr. Sam L. Terry, Pastor of the Forest Hills Presbyterian Church.

One of the aims of the Homeowners Association is to maintain the beauty of the area, and repainting the bulletin board goes along with this intention. Now that it can be again used, notices of the monthly Homeowners Association meetings will be posted. Other messages pertinent to the community will also be placed on the board.

If you have a notice you believe should be posted, call Mrs. Jean Rogers, Vice President and Publicity Chairman of the Helotes Homeowners Association at 695-9369.

Camp Cookie Has Birthday

Camp Cookie in Helotes Ranch Acres will be 25 years old on Saturday, March 26, and the San Antonio Area Girl Scout Council will mark the event with an open house and special demonstrations.

The day camp on Antonio Drive will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for families of prospective campers to see where their daughters will attend.

The national Girl Scouts organization will observe its 65th anniversary on March 12, and March 5-12 will be Girl Scout Week.

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The young couple will be united in marriage on June 25 in Chapel One at Randolph Air Force Base.

Miss Hickman is a student at Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos, and will be graduated in May, 1978. She is

majoring in speech pathology and audiology, and is a member of Alpha Lambda Delta honor society. She currently is employed in the Department of English and Philosophy at Southwest Texas State.

Martin attended San Antonio College and is employed by Poor Boy Markets, Inc.

A number of parties are planned to honor the engaged couple.

Tieken—Patmor Married

By Judge Jim Barlow

Miss Cindy Patmor became the bride of Mark Tieken in an evening ceremony on Saturday, Feb. 12, 1977 with Judge Jim Barlow officiating. Setting for their marriage was Thousand Oaks Country Club in San Antonio.

The bride, who is daughter of Mrs. Grace Patmor and John Patmor of San Antonio, had as her attendant her sister, Miss Cheryl Patmor.

The bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alton W. Tieken of Austin, had his brother, Richard Tieken, as attendant. Otto Weltner, great grandfather of the bride, read an original poem dedicated to the couple.

The bride wore a traditional wedding gown with a cathedral train and double illusion veil for the candlelight service.

Among guests attending the

ceremony were the bride's maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hub Stappenbeck of Scenic Loop Road, Grey Forest.

A reception followed at Thousand Oaks Country Club.

After a honeymoon in Corpus Christi, the couple now reside at 310 Eastley in San Antonio, where both are employed. The bridegroom also attends The University of Texas at San Antonio, where he is studying computer science.

The Randolph Motorcycle Association has donated \$861 to the Hemophilia Foundation for the purchase of a platelet aggragometer for the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. The money was raised during the Fourth Annual Lost Alaskan Motorcycle Rallye recently.

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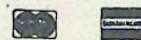
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Corn Quilt Being Readied For Cornyval



Members of the Helotes Women's Club have been meeting Thursday mornings to produce the 1977 Corn Quilt which they will award during the Cornyval festivities. Proceeds go to the Club's civic project.

Displaying stitched muslin squares with embroidered appliqued green and yellow corn are some of those who attended a recent quilting bee.

Shown center is Mrs. Walter Schuh, this year's Quilt Chairman. Those to her left are Mrs. Joseph (Edith) Taylor, Mrs. R.W. (Lucile) Owen, and Miss Marie Parrigin. To her right are Mrs. John Goeringer, Mrs. Doris Beck, and Mrs. Sam (Margaret) Terry.

Mrs. Sherwood (Eleanor) Nelson, who helped originate the design repeated annually since 1973—will join the squares. Then the ladies of the Methodist Church will quilt it as a fundraising project for PARC here.

New Arrival

Woodie and Linda Dupuis of Antonio Drive here are parents of a new baby boy born Feb. 11, 1977 in Methodist Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds 6-and-a-half ounces and was welcomed home by his little sister Shelly, also. Both the Mother and baby are doing well.

He is also welcomed by his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Griffith of Helotes, and Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Dupuis, Sr. of Houston. In addition, he has aunts, uncles and cousins in this area.

The Region 20 Education Service Center on N.E. Loop 410, a part of the Texas public school system, serves schools in 14 South Texas counties including Bexar, Bandera, Medina, and Kerr.

UTSA Exhibit

Features Schools

"Education in Texas: Yesterday and Today," an Institute of Texan Cultures traveling exhibit, will be displayed in the UTSA Science Education Building through March 30.

The exhibit explores the State's efforts to establish a free and equal school system.

Sea Film Tells Of Prior Claim

The depth of the oceans has long been a challenge to man. In an effort to conquer this last frontier, man developed the diving bell, the bathysphere and other sophisticated equipment. But with all these advances, can you imagine a man living, rearing a family and getting all his food under water? No? The Argyroneta, the diving spider, does all this without the benefit of modern technology.

This and other interesting subjects are included in the full-color motion picture, "The Prior Claim", which will be shown to the public at 6 p.m. March 13, at the San Antonio Salvation Army Citadel, 110 McCullough at Elm. The film was produced by Dr. Irwin A. Moon at the Moody Institute of Science, Whittier, Cal. Plants that trap their food, fish that "spit" and knock insects out of the air for food, snakes with snakescopes and the chameleon—the original lasso artist—are other stars in this most unusual film.

"The Prior Claim" points out that just as nature had prior claim to the diving bell, lasso, mousetrap and snakescope, God has prior claim on man himself.

Dr. Brothers To Speak At UTSA

Psychologist Dr. Joyce Brothers will speak on "The Future of the American Family" Wednesday, March 23, in the UTSA Convocation Center.

The lecture, cosponsored by the Friends of Planned Parenthood and the UTSA Division of Continuing Education, begins at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets, priced at \$5 per person, may be purchased by phoning 227-9147.

Teacher's Role Being Stressed

A campaign on behalf of the 12,000 teachers of District XX of Texas, including HELOTES, has been launched. The project, labeled "A C T," or ACTION BY CONCERNED TEACHERS, was formed as a result of action by the recent 1976 District XX Texas State Teachers' Convention in San Antonio.

The purpose is to raise public awareness of the role of teacher in today's educational system.

A C T is utilizing billboards, radio, press and television throughout the District XX area which involves some 18 counties of Texas. The A C T campaign is the first of its kind in Texas. The executive director of A C T is Mrs. Lou Thomas, a teacher in Northeast Independent School District in San Antonio. Mrs. Thomas, at the January press preview, said that the committee was formed partly to create a new link with the public.

"We need to make teachers proud to be teachers. Everybody's work needs to be appreciated," Mrs. Thomas said.

All residents of Bexar County are welcome to use the Books-by-Mail Service of the San Antonio Public Library. Just phone 223-6851 any time day or night—an answering service takes calls after the library is closed—and the books will be mailed to you.



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Next Travelogue To Show Africa

San Antonio Travelogues will present a film entitled "A Southeastern Africa Safari" in the Alamo Heights High School auditorium Sunday, March 20, beginning at 3 p.m. It will be the sixth in the series of seven travelogues being presented during the current season.

The Africa film will be narrated by Ruth and Cleveland Grant, who visited Mozambique, Natal, the Transvaal, Orange Free State and Cape Province to make the picture. Footage includes cities, rural villages, picturesque people, and wild animals and exotic birds.

Single admission tickets, available at the door, are \$2.75.

The concluding film in the series, "Our Great Southwest," will be shown on Sunday, April 17.

NOTICE

ELECTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a regular election will be held at the City Hall on Scenic Loop Road in Grey Forest, Texas, on Saturday, April 2, 1977, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., for the purpose of electing three (3) Councilpersons.

The candidates are:

Place 1 — Marion Heisler

Place 3 — Ruth Morris

Place 5 — Claude Yeager

Absentee voting is open from March 14 through March 29 each working day from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 to 3 p.m. and also on March 23 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. and March 29 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the Grey Forest City Hall.

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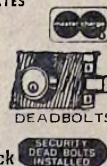
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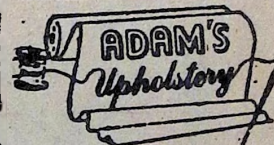
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UTSA SINGERS TO GIVE CONCERT



Photo by Gil Barrera

UTSA'S CHAMBER CHORALE, shown above, a 25-voice university-civic ensemble, will perform March 11 at the American Choral Directors Association National Convention in Dallas. The Association chose only six university ensembles from tapes submitted by more than 500 groups. According to Dr.

Gordon H. Lamb, director of UTSA'S division of Music, who is the founder-conductor of the Chorale, this is the only mixed ensemble from Texas and only one of two university-level groups from this State. The performance will be open to the public Friday in Dallas, and the group plans to perform locally in April.

The Northside Independent School District includes parts of Medina and Bandera counties as well as the big chunk of northwest Bexar County.

The Notre Dame University Glee Club will give a concert at Incarnate Word College on March 16—the night before St. Patrick's Day. The public is invited.

T. R. McCown Dies In Waco At 79

Services were held Feb. 18 in Waco for Travis Riddle McCown, 69, with Rev. Morris Wall, First Baptist Church, officiating.

Mr. McCown died Feb. 16, 1977 following a lengthy illness. He was born April 23, 1907 in Stamford, Texas. He was the son of Riddle and Sallie (nee House) McCown of Texas pioneer families of Freestone and Limestone Counties.

A retired attorney, Mr. McCown attended public schools and Baylor University. He was admitted to the Texas State Bar in 1935, and was enrolled in the District Court of the Western District of Texas in 1937.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church, a faith he embraced in his boyhood. He was a member of the American Legion Post 121, of Baylor Lodge 1235 A.F. & A.M., and was past Sachem of the Great Council of Texas Improved Order of Red Men.

Mr. McCown is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Frances Wimberly and his wife, Vivian (nee Stein) of Grey Forest and San Antonio. He is also survived by his son Paul by his former marriage to Pauline Perry, who passed away in 1942.

Mr. McCown is also survived by his sisters, Mrs. H.T. (Jane) Hibler, Austin; Mrs. Margaret Davison, Copperas Cove; Mrs. Eloise Kerber, Hyattsville, Maryland; and Miss Marie McCown, Dallas; and also his brother, James McCown of Arlington, Texas. He was preceded in death by another brother, the late Ross McCown.

His grandchildren are Patrick Paul Perry and Mark Travis Wimberly.

Pallbearers were John B. Fisher, Jr., Goodson McKee, Col. Paul Dillinger, Julian Pace, Dr. George Smith, and Joe Jack Pearce, all of Waco.

For sponsoring the film, "The Edwards Story," to inform the public about the complex nature of the Edwards Underground Aquifer, the Edwards Underground Water District has been presented the Chairman's Award of the Texas Water Quality Board. The film was seen in Helotes last fall by the Lions Club and other groups.

New Arrival

Wesley and Sue Burks of Helotes have a new granddaughter, Charity Kay Coffey, born Feb. 1, 1977, in Austin, Texas. The charming little girl is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B.D. Coffey—Donna Kay and Dillard Coffey—well-known here. They have a son, Brent Dusten also. Dillard is in the Texas Air National Guard in Austin.

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Aquifer Wells Set Records

SAN ANTONIO—Spl.—With an overabundance of rain having fallen in the area West of San Antonio, five all-time records were set last month in the Edwards Aquifer, four of them in wells regularly measured and one in the similarly measured Leona River Springs, near Uvalde.

All wells and springs throughout the five-county Edwards Underground Water District had risen.

All-time records established a month earlier at the wells at Uvalde, Sabinal, Hondo and Castroville were erased and new ones were posted, the EUWD reported.

The figures, compared with the

previous month and followed in parentheses with all-time lows in feet, were: Well at Uvalde, 885.2 (885.0) (811.0); well at Sabinal, 827.3 (825.4) (664.0); well at Hondo, 769.6 (768.5) (662.3); well at Castroville, 732.7 (732.3) (622.3).

The water was not far from record level at other wells.

At the well in San Antonio, the level was up 0.9 of a foot from the previous month to a level of 693.6 feet, compared to the 696.5 record set in 1973. The lowest ever at this well was 612.5 in the drought year of 1956.

At New Braunfels the well showed 629.5, up 0.1 of a foot over the previous month and only 0.3 of

a foot lower than the recorded high of 629.8, set in 1973. During the drought of 1956 this well reached its lowest, 613.3.

The well at Kyle was up 0.8 over the previous month and showed 582.5. The high at this well was 593.8 in 1968 and the low was 542.2 in 1956.

A 2.5 cubic feet per second increase in the springflow of Leona River Springs brought on its new record of 80.4 cfs., surpassing the previous month's record of 77.9. These springs have gone dry in the past and have an average of only 11.6.

Comal Springs at New Braunfels, which went dry in one severe drought year, were up 27 cfs. over the previous month with 434 cfs. being measured. This was 100 cfs. less than the all-time record of 534 but far above those springs' average, which the EUWD lists as 281.

San Marcos Springs were up 6 cfs. to 255, compared to a 161 average. Record high at these springs has been 310 and the low during a big drought was 46.

A breakthrough in diabetes research will be told at a special meeting of the Alamo Area Chapter of the American Diabetes Association, Thursday, March 17, at the Bexar County Medical Library, 202 W. French Place, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The meeting is free of charge.

Theater San Antonio will present holdover performances of Neil Simon's comedy hit, "Come Blow Your Horn," on March 11 and 12, at the San Pedro Playhouse. Tickets are \$4.50 evenings, \$3.50 matinees, and \$2.50 for senior citizens and students.

Antique Show Set For New Braunfels

The 7th annual New Braunfels Antique Show and Sale will be held March 18-20 in the Civic Center at New Braunfels. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday. Admission will be \$1 for all three days. Dealers from throughout the Southwest and Midwest will be exhibiting. All antique shops in New Braunfels also will be open.

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of these areas that for a ninety-day period, to eliminate delay of their mail, the San Antonio carrier will continue to deliver mail addressed to "San Antonio, Texas 78228." Mail addressed to them at Helotes will be delivered by the Helotes carrier.

First day of the new Helotes Route 1 is expected to be March 12.

Word has been received that the first pastor of the Helotes Hills Methodist Church, the Rev. J. Roy Hilliard, passed away at the end of the year.

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