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UTA alumni are everywhere and achieving success in a variety of professions.

INSIDE THE COVER: The serenity of another era is reflected in the graceful archways of Ransom Hall. Although renovated extensively inside, the building is still a reminder of UTA's historic past.

ON THE COVER: The new Mr. and Miss UTA, Marty Wieder and Kathy Vastine are two of UTA's most enthusiastic and involved supporters.

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Hayes, Wright Distinguished Alums

Jim Hayes, a UTA alumnus who has earned state and national accolades for his outstanding achievements in working with the handicapped, and Fort Worth Judge James E. Wright, a former president of the Fort Worth-Tarrant County Bar Association, have been selected as the 1982 UTA Distinguished Alumni.

The two will be honored during Oct. 14-16 homecoming activities.

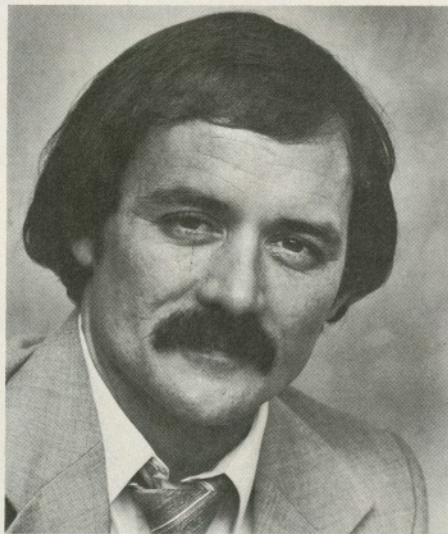
Hayes, who received his B.A. in 1974, is the director of UTA Educational Support Services and coach of the state champion UTA wheelchair basketball team, the Freewheelers.

Wright, 141st Judicial District Judge, is a 1940 graduate of North Texas Agricultural College and actively supported a variety of UTA activities during the past 40 years.

Hayes started the UTA physical education program for the handicapped and has been named the outstanding handicapped state employee by the Texas Rehabilitation Commission.

He has been a delegate to the White House Conference for the Handicapped, a consultant for the Arlington Independent School District on physical education for the handicapped and has also served on the state committee charged with implementing the section of the 1973 National Rehabilitation Act that requires all public buildings be accessible to the handicapped.

He is the author of the "Attendant



Jim Hayes

Care Manual," a guidebook published by the Texas Rehabilitation Commission for Texas universities and colleges.

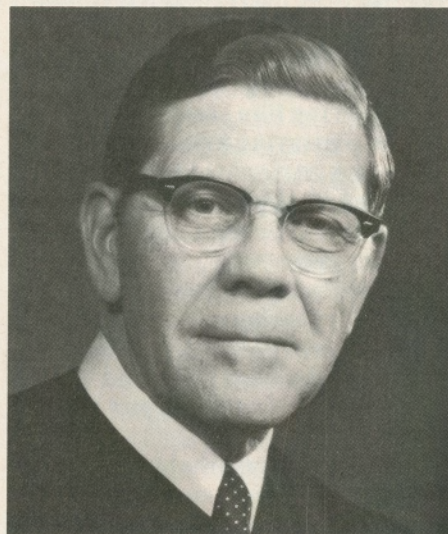
Hayes also works with the Arlington Lions Club in securing visual aid equipment for the blind.

He organized and coaches the Arlington Hotshots, a wheelchair basketball team composed of children 8 through 13 years of age.

Hayes currently teaches a physical education program for the handicapped at UTA.

He is a graduate of Paschal High School in Fort Worth, Tarrant County Junior College and UTA.

Judge Wright has served as judge of the 141st Judicial District of Texas



Judge James Wright

since October of 1969 and recently won the Paul Harris Award from the downtown chapter of the Fort Worth Rotary Club, the highest award given by the chapter for community service.

Wright is a life member of the State Bar Association of Texas and is a former Arlington city attorney.

Wright was a trial lawyer for more than 20 years in Fort Worth and is a Mason and a Shriner.

Wright was president of the Aggie Bar at NTAC, the university's pre-law society at the time, and was a member of the ROTC cadet corps and cadet captain in the band. He was born in Arlington.

Wright is a World War II veteran and obtained his Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from UT-Austin in 1949.

UTA Distinguished Alumni are selected on the basis of their professional accomplishments, community service and service to UTA and involvement in professional organizations.

Wright and Hayes will be honored during Oct. 16 afternoon homecoming halftime activities at Maverick Stadium and during the Distinguished Alumni Dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets to the dinner are available by calling (metro) 273-2594.

Cancun mid-winter trip site

The crystalline, turquoise water and talcum powder-soft beaches of Cancun, Mexico have been selected as the destination for the UTA Alumni Association's mid-winter trip.

The four-day, three-night trip will be Nov. 25-28 and will cost \$329 per person (based on double occupancy).

The price includes round-trip airfare from Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Airport, three nights at the Calinda Hotel and transfers from the Cancun airport to the hotel and back.

The trip is especially for UTA alumni, but is open to other persons.

A \$50 deposit is required by Oct. 1 and should be mailed directly to Shamrock Travel, 2516 Oakland Blvd., Suite 2, Fort Worth, Tex. 76103.

The balance of the fee is due by Oct. 25.

More information on the trip may be obtained by calling the UTA Alumni office at (metro) 273-2594.