

PETER M. HOLT - CHAIRMAN AND CEO

Now in his 15th season as Chairman and CEO ... he and his wife, Julianna Hawn Holt, bought into the Spurs ownership group in 1996 ... since that time the organization has enjoyed unprecedented growth and success ... four NBA championships, a successful campaign for a new arena and two new San Antonio-based sports franchises are among the accomplishments achieved during Holt's tenure ... thanks in part to the AT&T Center – which opened in November of 2002 – the organization is now known as Spurs Sports & Entertainment ... with over 200 fulltime employees, Spurs Sports & Entertainment runs four professional sports franchises – the Spurs, the Silver Stars, the Rampage and the Austin Toros – while also managing the day-to-day operations of the AT&T Center ... over the last 13 seasons (since Tim Duncan joined the team in 1997–98) the Spurs have posted a regular season record of 719-315 ... the team's winning percentage of .695 during that span is the best of any team in the four major sports (MLB, NBA, NFL and NHL) ... during the Duncan era the Spurs have captured four NBA championships (1999, 2003, 2005 and 2007) ... the Spurs organization has twice been named the best franchise in professional sports (2004 and 2006) in the annual ESPN The Magazine Ultimate Standings survey (each year the Ultimate Standings ranks every professional team in a formula using analysis of team financial data combined with fan feedback in which over 55,000 fans judge teams by eight factors including players, bang for the buck, ownership, and stadium experience ... the Ultimate Standings debuted in 2003 and the Spurs and the Los Angeles Angels are the only two teams to rank in the top 10 in each of the eight annual surveys) ... in June of 2007 SS&E purchased the Austin Toros of the NBA Development League (the Spurs are one of two NBA teams – along with the Thunder – to own and operate their own D-League team) ... the great-grandson of Benjamin Holt, developer of the first practical track-type tractor and one of the two predecessor companies that formed Caterpillar Inc. ... serves as the CEO of San Antonio-based HOLT CAT (the firm still displays several of Ben Holt's early tractors outside its headquarters) which is the largest Caterpillar dealership in the United States ... born in Peoria, Illinois ... lived in San Antonio as a child before moving to Corpus Christi, where he graduated from high school ... served two years in the U.S. Army during which time he earned a Silver Star, three Bronze Stars and a Purple Heart from his one-year tour of duty in Vietnam ... ended his military service as a Sergeant E5 ... a staunch believer in community service ... is proud of the Spurs commitment to South Texas and its residents (in 2000 the Spurs earned the Pro Team Community Award presented by the World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame, an award presented annually to the professional sports franchise that best illustrates exceptional community involvement and fosters community pride and spirit) ... among the Spurs community efforts are the Spurs Youth Basketball League, the annual countywide United Way campaign and a variety of educational outreach programs which service over 85 percent of the elementary schools in Bexar County (during the 2009–10 season over 200,000 area students were touched by the various SS&E education programs) ... Holt's own efforts include a lengthy list of community service positions ... appointed to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission in 2003 and in July of 2007 was appointed chairman by Governor Rick Perry ... a member of the World Presidents' Organization ... is the Business Chair of the Consortium of Partners for San Antonio's 2012 No Kill initiative ... 2009 recipient of Woodrow Wilson Award for Public Service ... serves as a board member for Free Trade Alliance San Antonio, the San Antonio Economic Development Foundation, the Trust Company and the Texas State Aquarium ... serves as board member of the Bexar County Performing Arts Center Foundation ... serves on the advisory board of the McCombs School of Business at the University of Texas ... past chairman of the United Way of San Antonio and Bexar County ... named to the Texas Business Hall of Fame in 2004 ... he and Julianna have been Spurs season ticket holders since 1988.