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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

Donna Hawthorne

As I am sure most of you know, our San Antonio Heights Association President, Ken Petschow, has many jobs aside from his professional occupation as pilot for American Airlines. We were thrilled that he was able to squeeze in some time to construct the star for our enjoyment this season. I learned it took over six long days to do the wiring and erect the star but less than a couple of hours to take it down. As always we are extremely grateful to Ken and his family for this wonderful contribution to not only our community but the surrounding ones as well.

During the holiday season, being an official with the Rose Parade, Ken is committed to many hours at Rose Parade events so it seemed only appropriate that we would not burden him with writing an article for this issue. We'll let him catch up in April.

So, I thought this might be a good time to introduce myself to you as the Editor of the Gazette Newsletter. I began coordinating (along with my sidekick, Pam Schulz) the publishing of the newsletter in November, 2004. We have both worked endless hours each quarter to bring the happenings here in the Heights to you. We hope you have enjoyed the stories as much as we have bringing them to you and more so as getting to know a few of you better during our researching materials for our articles. At this time, we have made a commitment to complete this year and are looking for one of you in the area to come forth to assume these responsibilities. If you are interested and would like to “get your feet wet” this year, please give us a call on the San Antonio Heights Message phone (909) 985-6996.

In 2007, the Association followed up on a resident’s suggestion to do a SAH sticker and the Association is pleased to report that interest and sales have gone very well. A number of stickers were sold at the Annual Meeting and stickers will be available at the Produce Exchanges held the first Saturday of each month and at future events.

We were sorry to see the recycling dumpster removed recently as it has provided extra revenue to the Association for the past few years.

One of the more major concerns that has been brought to the Board's attention is drivers "speeding" in our community. We NEED YOUR HELP as residents, to SLOW DOWN to help make San Antonio Heights a safer place to live.

In 2007, a number of vehicle accidents occurred in the Heights with one involving a fatality. We know also of a truck/bus accident at 25th and Mountain Avenue, a bicyclist hit while riding south on Euclid Avenue by an approaching vehicle at San Antonio Crescent East, a collision involving a motorcycle/vehicle on Euclid Avenue, a speeding vehicle knocked down a well-secured (by cement) mailbox on 23rd Street and there may have been other accidents we do not know about.

Although the streets in the Heights have a number of fun curves and gentle hills, it is still NOT A RACE TRACK. There are far too many vehicles speeding through the streets of San Antonio Heights. The Association along with several residents consulted with the California Highway Patrol for their help in patrolling our area and advice on ways to slow traffic.



Unfortunately, the CHP personnel have very broad areas to cover and are unable to patrol here continuously, but their appearances have been much more frequent and it seems most of those they do stop for speeding are actually residents in the Heights.

We live in this wonderfully quiet friendly community with reportedly the lowest crime rate in the San Bernardino County and yet we still have residents speeding through the streets like they have just been given the "starting flag". Please, everyone SLOW DOWN, drive the speed limits posted, respect your neighbors by following the traffic laws and help make our community a safer place to live.

Another recent concern brought to our attention by many residents is the "Traveling Door to Door Magazine Salespersons". Although there was an article published in the Daily Bulletin a couple of weeks ago, I would like to summarize some of the incidents reported to our Heights Neighbors network in the event you are not receiving the emails.

In December, Claremont had its second rape victim of 2007 by a magazine salesman. We DO NOT want to unnecessarily frighten anyone, but this appeared to be the same group of magazine sales people who previously had been selling magazines in San Antonio Heights. On 1-2-08, in the area of Prospect Drive on the East side of SAH a couple of residents reported that the introductory line two individuals were using was that neighbors had said they were interested in buying magazines. It was said they were fast-talking young people with a variety of stories to get you to buy a high-priced magazine subscription. It was learned that these are troubled young people, many with criminal records, who should not be turned loose to sell magazines. On 1-3-08, the sheriffs responded but no suspects were located. On 1-5-08, the individuals were back. One pair was composed of two young men, one black and one white, this time on Linda Lane and 24th and would not leave until they saw the resident was actually calling the police. Many other residents were approached but when the individuals were faced with stern and usually male opposition they were reported to have moved on. If you should encounter any sales people fitting the above descriptions soliciting magazines, call 9-1-1 and request a deputy. These young people are from out of the area and have NO business in San Antonio Heights. Please do not let these people into your house, and do not believe any of their stories.

Again, we have had a report of “mail theft” and the individual was actually attempting to cash a check and use a credit card number from the mail stolen. We know you are probably tired of hearing of this, but, after years of the same problem the criminals are obviously not going to go away, so we should probably all take steps to protect our mail with security mail boxes.

We have been informed that SAH residents will be receiving invitations to a picnic sponsored by the City of Upland on April 19th at San Antonio Park in celebration of the park’s recent new facelift. More details will follow. Save the date!



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COUNTY MAKES STRIDES FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

By Paul Biane, Chairman of Board of Supervisors Second District



Over the past few years, a number of people have contacted the San Bernardino County Department of Veterans Affairs during the holiday season to ask how they could send gifts to our troops serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. Unfortunately, we were unable to accommodate the requests because, as you can imagine, getting packages to the troops is not as easy as dropping them in the mail.

This year, however, the County worked with the nonprofit group Yellow Ribbon America to collect and send care packages to the brave men and women serving overseas in our nation's military. We dubbed the effort "Support Our Troops 2007."

Yellow Ribbon America is a California-based nonprofit group that provides a framework for local communities to support the troops and their families. The group had conducted four other successful holiday gift drives for the troops and military families, so they had the experience and connections to make the County's effort successful.

The Department of Veterans Affairs placed boxes in County fire stations, libraries and offices to collect donations for the care packages and provided a complete list of the collection box locations on the County's homepage. A list of suggested donations such as pre-paid international phone cards, DVDs, pre-packaged snacks, magazines, books, games, and personal hygiene items was included. Some Crest toothpaste, a few bags of Doritos, and a phone card may not seem like much, but they will be welcome treats from home for our troops. The County also collected toys and gift cards to provide holiday care packages for the families of local troops serving in ongoing conflicts abroad.

"Support Our Troops 2007" is a great opportunity for us to say "thank you" to the troops and to their families for all of their sacrifices. Many joined us in this community endeavor to show our service men and women and their families how much they mean to our Nation. The response from employees and community was over whelming, with an estimated 40-50,000 items collected and with the help from local communities over \$250,000 worth of supplies were collected.

Below is a picture from the Christmas Open House on December 12, 2007, which served as a collection drop off site for the care packages. The troops featured in the pictures were to leave in 21 days for their tour in Iraq and Afghanistan. We are extremely grateful for the sacrifices they make to serve our country and we were happy to help support the care package effort




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SAWCO CELEBRATES 125 YEARS OF SERVICE

SAWCO employees, shareholders and invited guests celebrated the Company's 125 years of water service October 25th with a wonderful reception and program highlighted by historical impersonations of Annette (McCord) and George Chaffey (the original founders of SAWCo) by their great grandson, Marty Chaffey and his wife Susan (Powell) Chaffey.

The presentation took the audience back to the time when water was first discovered here in this area.

Susan played the role of Annette McCord, who married George Chaffey in 1869. With actual facts, Susan gave her interpretation of how a young wife and mother would feel doing the things that Annette and George did in those early years of developing the Etiwanda, Upland and Ontario areas.



After their marriage, Annette and George Chaffey moved from one end of Canada to the other, having two of their three boys on the way. George was not happy working in his uncle's insurance agency in Toronto and was looking for whatever it would be that would become his life's work.

By 1880, they were settled in British Columbia where George was working on a ship design for the Frazier River. A few years earlier, his father (a shipbuilder in Eastern Canada) had decided to retire to Riverside, California for the warmer climate. Brothers William Benjamin with his family, and Charles (still living with the parents as was sister Emma) made the move with him. WB and George Sr. planted citrus trees. Annette and George decided to bring the boys and visit them for a vacation for a few weeks. When they arrived, Charles took George on a camping trip to look at the foothills and assess the potential for water development. George and his family never returned to Vancouver.

On Thanksgiving day, 1881, George and WB signed the purchasing papers to buy the Joseph Garcia Ranch which included what is now Etiwanda, Upland and Ontario. The house is now a museum and can be seen on Etiwanda Ave. George and Annette's third son (my grandfather) was born while they lived there. George entertained business friends who stayed at their house. Susan said she imagined there might not have been adequate water to entertain overnight guests for too long and probably implored George to do something about that!

Marty Chaffey, grandson to George Chaffey, was introduced and speaking as George Chaffey, he explained how his grandfather and WB developed the San Antonio Water Company as the foundation for the model colony which was developed. George told how he had been an engineer designing, building and sailing ships on the Great Lakes and rivers of Canada. George told how Charles took him out of Riverside and across the valley toward the mountains. We spent a number of days exploring with Charles telling me about the quality of the land and that all it needed was organization and water. I was skeptical but impressed. After we got back I checked with brother, William Benjamin who confirmed everything Charles had said. Will was one of the first to raise oranges, grapefruit and lemons in Riverside and was familiar with the quality of the soil. He could see the possibilities in the open land to the north. George then introduced Will who was in the audience with Hattie and told how Will was the agricultural expert in the family.

William, Charles and the rest of the family persuaded me to stay and plan what could be done. Land that belonged to Captain Joseph Garcia and its water rights were available north of Riverside. We purchased the land and the water rights, moved in and started development. This was a small project that sold out almost immediately. Buoyed by the success in Etiwanda we decided to expand and take on a larger project. We found that the land that would become Ontario and Upland was available. I rode over to the upper portion of the land and stood on a spot where I could see what we were about to purchase. To quote my thoughts from 1882, "From the plateau at the foot of the mountain I obtained a bird's eye view of the whole area I proposed to acquire, and while I was standing there looking at it, I saw what Ontario was to become...." What I envisioned was a community eight miles deep stretching to the south and three to five miles wide. Down the center was a large double drive with parallel streets ½ mile apart. Bisecting that were east-west streets 1/4th of a mile apart so the land was divided giving every piece of land a street front. I saw one, five, ten and twenty acre plots available with water accessible to each parcel. I saw an agricultural town with schools, churches and businesses surrounded by small farms and orchards. Like Etiwanda water was the key to all of the plans. Without enough water and its proper distribution, none of the hopes, plans and dreams could come to fruition.

A basic philosophy quickly formed as my brothers and I met with our friend Luther Holt, the newspaper publisher in Riverside. The rule of thumb for water ownership in California was at

that time riparian rights or who owned the water upstream could basically do what he wanted with little regard for those downstream. We had seen that that was an unacceptable situation on an alluvial fan and a different solution would have to be developed. From the Etiwanda experience we came up with a new plan; the mutual water company where each landowner also owned a share of the water company and had a say in what was done. The legality of that was pursued and the San Antonio Water Company was formed in October of 1882.

We noted that this was an arid land, hot and with little rain, so a large amount of water would be lost through evaporation if it were to be delivered in ditches. Therefore we determined to deliver water to each plot by pipeline. That way there would be much less waste and more available to each plot for less money in the long run. Each landowner would get his share of the water that was available. It would be delivered by gravity at the highest corner of his land as all of the land was on a gentle slope. We limited the shares in the water company to the amount of water that was predicted to be available. That way we could not sell more land than we had water available.

Since we had to share the surface water of San Antonio Creek with Pomona, we quickly determined that more water would be necessary. The court ruling said we had to share the surface water with Pomona but said nothing about underground water. It was clear there was water running on the surface even after the snow pack was melted. Where was it coming from? Was there underground water? Could we tap it? Legally we found no impediments so we determined to tunnel under the creek and back into the mountain to get the spring water that lay beneath the surface. That was a great success and we had enough water to fulfill all of the demands of the time. Later spreading basins were added to collect extra for well water in wet years.

In closing, Marty speaking for George said how elated he would have been to see after 125 years the San Antonio Water Company is still delivering to its customers as successfully as ever.



SAWCo was also honored by many dignitaries. Making a presentation was Danielle Boorish, Representative for San Bernardino County Supervisor's office. SAWCo was presented many plaques recognizing its service in the community. The evening ended with refreshments, displays, educational information and time to visit with each other. Many of our Heights' shareholders attended and if you were one who was unable to attend, hopefully, you enjoyed reading the above SAWCO history as it was presented by Susan and Marty Powell.

COLLECTION MAIL BOX IN THE HEIGHTS

By Donna Hawthorne

Soon after Albertsons moved to the Colonies, the parking lot was closed off preventing public use of the collection mail box located in front of the store. We received several messages on the SAHA message phone asking if the mail box was going to be relocated in the Heights.



Contact has been made with the Upland Post Office and we learned from their manager they were in the process of conducting a survey to remove the least used mail boxes in Upland. Prior use of the mail box previously located at Albertsons was on the low end but considering there were actually 50 plus mail boxes located in Upland, we were told the Heights would be given consideration since a mailbox is not located in the near proximity. At the San Antonio Heights Association meeting on November 13th, the question was asked if we would be getting an outgoing mail box. Mike Cloud of Life Bible Fellowship Church and a Heights resident, graciously volunteered the possibility to have a collection mail box placed on the property of the Church. This offer was proposed to the Manager at Upland Post Office with a review of that location but because of the safety concerns of vehicles making “u” turns on Euclid after depositing mail it was determined not to be a safe location.

Currently, Gloria, the Manager at Upland is looking into a couple of other options but at the time of this article we do not have any definite decision. Our thanks to Mary Carolan, SAH resident, who has been very active in following up on this matter and hopefully we will see a collection mail box very soon.

ELDER CARE SEMINAR – Care Giving and Elder Care Issues

San Antonio Heights Community Church

2520 North Euclid Avenue, (corner of Euclid and San Antonio Crescent East)

Saturday, February 23, 2008 – 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Mary Beth Wadding and Julie Griffin from Vitas Innovative Hospice Care will present the following topics for discussion: (1) *INTRODUCTION & BASIC CARE-GIVING*; (2) *DECISION MAKING*; (3) *ADVANCE DIRECTIVE*; (4) *END OF LIFE CARE*; and (5) *GRIEF SUPPORT*. A Question & Answer segment will follow. Lunch will be provided. If you are interested in attending, please reserve a space by calling the church office at (909) 982-5907

SAN ANTONIO HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION DONATES TO Rebecca Goss Boo-Yaah Memorial Foundation

By Donna Hawthorne

The Rebecca Goss Boo-Yaah Memorial Foundation was formed after the tragic loss of John and Martha Goss' sixteen year old daughter, Rebecca, in a senseless car accident. Within weeks of the loss of Rebecca, three of her classmates were killed in yet another car accident. It was learned that two of the families did not have sufficient finances for the burial of their children. The Goss family knowing how physically painful and emotionally disabling this time was for them and to know a lack of funds could compound this period of overwhelming grief and make it even more unbearable, it became their mission to help provide the financial assistance necessary for a burial with dignity as well as grief counseling for emotional support of the family. Because Rebecca was always reaching out to help and support her friends and family, in her honor the Foundation was formed.



With the help of famous artist, Mehl Lawson, a custom bronze trophy in memory of Rebecca was designed and presented for the first time at the California Reigning Horses Association (CRHA) Limited Non-Pro rider competition at the Los Angeles Equestrian Center in Burbank on October 27th. The first recipient of the trophy was won by a dear friend of the Goss family, Carolyn Trammell, riding Hagans Sugarman. After the award of the trophy, Carolyn generously donated the trophy back to the Goss family to enjoy for the year.

The mission of this non-profit foundation is to provide financial assistance and support through fund raising activities and donations in times of crisis. The funds will be distributed to families to help with burial expenses, grief counseling, and medical costs due to the loss of a child. Also, a scholarship will be funded and awarded to a deserving student who aspires to go to a veterinary medical program as this was Rebecca's aspiration and passion to work with and heal horses and animals.

The Association voted at their October meeting to donate to this Fund and Donna Hawthorne presented a \$500.00 check to the Goss Family at the CRHA event. Upcoming events will be in May, 2008, the Rebecca Goss Memorial Car Show in Upland and in October, 2008, the Second Annual Rebecca Goss Memorial Challenge Horse Show in Burbank.

If you are interested in donating, learning more about the Foundation or attending future fund raising events, you can contact the Goss Family at 980-4411 or email mail@gossconstruction.com

“A Happy Story”

We heard we had our own “*Pay It Forward*” here in the Heights. A resident donated \$5,000 to the Rebecca Goss Memorial Fund in memory of his mother and in appreciation for financial assistance he had received from friends to cover his mother's burial expenses. He was pleased to help someone else who may be in the same situation he once was.

SAHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2008

At the SAHA Annual Meeting on November 13th, the residents approved the following San Antonio Heights residents to serve as directors on the Board for 2008: John Borba, Gary Crites, Betty Garrison, Tom Gomez, Martha Goss, Donna Hawthorne, Michael Holzman, Cal McElwain, Tina Nelson, Ken Petschow, Kathye Rietkerk, Bob Shannon, Cat Stines, Bob Thies and Holly Wood.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the newly elected directors elected the following officers to serve: Ken Petschow, President, Michael Holzman, Vice President, Betty Garrison, Secretary and Donna Hawthorne, Treasurer. Bob Shannon was appointed Parliamentarian.

Catherine “Cat” Stines, New 2008 SAHA Board of Director

By Donna Hawthorne

Cat Stines, resident of the Heights since 1981, is the newest Board of Director for 2008. She and her husband, Wayne, have two grown sons. Cat is employed with Vulcan Materials here in Upland where she has worked in Environmental Control for the past six and a half years driving a water truck. Cat loves her job because it affords her the opportunity to be outside where she loves to be most. Cat has long been involved in a group called “Active Claremont” where the members do projects such as keeping Baseline clean and serving as a volunteer ringing the bell for the Salvation Army. To add to her many other community projects, she recently began volunteering at the Ontario Airport A.S.O. along with many



other community projects. It was through volunteering with this group that she decided she would like to work more closely with her own community so she left a message on the SAHA Message Phone and became immediately involved in the Fire Safety Council Committee and then the CERT Program when it began recently.

Cat and Wayne are members of the American Legion Post 30 in Pomona and they enjoy riding their Harleys. In fact Cat was preparing to do a “Toy Run” to Ontario the next day after we talked.

Cat is very friendly and is always smiling. She finds it very rewarding and enjoyable in giving to others and especially working on projects that help others. She loves nature and receives great satisfaction in being able to give back to the earth.



How about trying Pilates for Exercise in 2008?

By Margie Aragon, Owner of Body Mechanics, Inc.

Pilates is a system of exercise created by Joseph H. Pilates that can be adapted to each individual's level of proficiency regardless of age, gender, or level of fitness. Pilates focuses on "core conditioning"- the strengthening and stabilization of the abdominals, spine, and pelvis. The goal of Pilates is to create a balanced body that is agile and structurally sound by training several muscle groups at once, in smooth continuous movements. Emphasizing proper breathing, alignment of the body, and mental focus, the controlled series of rhythmic, balanced movements uniformly develop the body.

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Margie Aragon, a resident here in the Heights is Certified in Nutrition, Pilates and a mentor



to youth. Margie works with individuals who want to be more vibrant and enjoy overall good health. She also works closely with troubled youth, bringing them calmness, wellbeing and creating a positive change. Margie has instructed hundreds of individuals to gain more confidence, enhance their focus and have endless energy. Margie offers private lessons, group classes and nutritional guidance.

Margie is the owner of Body Mechanics, Inc., located on Jurupa and Milliken in Ontario. She began with an idea to combine the powerful results of the Pilates method and healing benefits of massage therapy with added convenience in one studio. Body Mechanics' will is to serve as a stepping stone to help individuals live happier and healthier lives by achieving their most optimal body performance. Margie believes strongly not only in the mind-body soul connection, but to continually seek wisdom, wellness and spirituality. Margie can be reached at Body Mechanics at (909) 390-1991.

CONFESSIONS OF AN UNCONSCIOUS SPEEDER

By Cindy Fabricius-Segal, Resident

I speed through the streets of San Antonio Heights. I don't mean to, I'd rather not, but I must confess that I do. I never intend to go beyond the posted 25 mph speed limit, but once I am in the car, my thoughts turn to where I am going, the song on the radio or my neighbor's new landscaping. Often, something will jar me back to reality, like a neighbor's disapproving look, a close encounter with a rabbit or the sight of a police car, and I will glance down at my speedometer and quickly brake. But those days are rare, and intentional or not, I am one of those people that scare and annoy the neighborhood.

My guess is that 90% of the speeders up here are like me. We have good intentions but need a little help reminding us to slow down. The other 10%, well, the less said about them the better. Perhaps they enjoy the speed, are chronically late, or simply don't give a hoot about their neighbors. My advice is to keep an eye out for them and jump out of their way. But for the 90%, I would suggest that a gentle reminder would go a long way, much longer than a traffic ticket (in spite of the thought of a day wasted in the dreaded traffic school).

I once spent a weekend at a park where the ranger gave a talk on Friday night. He said, (and I'll never forget the quiet voice he used) that if the smokers in the group would pick up their butts and put them in the trash, it would be kind. Kind! I will never forget the sight of the "Marlboro Man" of our group, stooping to pick up each and every butt he created that weekend and putting them into the trash. As my son learned the first day in Kindergarten, "No one likes to be yelled at."

So my modest proposal is this: Remind us, gently, to slow down. It will work much better than high tech speed meters, policemen and getting angry. I look forward to seeing a sign on Euclid Crescent East saying:

**LOVE THY NEIGHBOR, SLOW DOWN, PLEASE
And I promise, I will!**

Recycle Bins Removed

By Tom Gomez – Recycle Chairperson

When did you notice the bins missing? Most regular Recycler's noticed right away. With Albertsons lease terminating in October, 2007, we no longer have access to the parking lot. We will continue to look for a new location for our recycle bins and will keep you informed. Until then, please continue to recycle, using the blue bins from Burrtec or our local recycling centers. Thank you everyone and continue to think "GREEN".

SAN ANTONIO HEIGHTS TO DO CERT TRAINING

Sixteen San Antonio Heights residents volunteered to participate in the Fire Safe Council's CERT training program. This program is designed to train community volunteers on how to help others during and after disasters.

San Bernardino County firefighters provided basic training in survival and rescue skills required to form a Community Emergency Response Team or CERT. This included three six hour training sessions held in January at Life Bible Fellowship Church.

Board of Supervisors Chairman, Paul Biane who represents the community as the County's Second District Supervisor said "I applaud the San Antonio Heights residents for taking the initiative to create a CERT program. Emergency resources will likely be stretched thin during a major disaster, so it's vital for the County to have trained volunteers who can respond to their communities' needs immediately."

San Antonio Heights residents are encouraged to participate in future CERT training sessions. Residents can contact Gary Crites of the San Antonio Heights Fire Safe Council at (909) 985-5444 for more information.

The San Bernardino County Office of Emergency Services has established CERT programs in Forest Falls, Angles Oaks, Big Bear City, Fawnskin, Lytle Creek, Devore, Wrightwood, Phelan, Pinion Hills, Lucerne Valley, and Morongo Valley. In addition, the cities of Fontana, Ontario, Apple Valley, Victorville, Yucca Valley, Redlands, Rialto, Colton, Loma Linda, and Grand Terrace also have CERT programs. The Office of Emergency Services estimates there are about 6,000 trained CERT volunteers in the County.

Attendees included Dianne Allen, Peggy Bass, Mike Cloud, Gary Crites, Daniel Farris, Eric Grubb, Donna Hawthorne, Mike Holzman, Greg and Valerie Killinger, Chris Mateski, Paige Moore, Nancy and Paul Speaker, Joseph Staub and Catherine Stines.

SAHA MISSION STATEMENT

Our Association was formed to protect the interests of San Antonio Heights' home owners and residents. SAHA communicates and cooperates with the many organizations that render us critical services. Our members' diversified experience is being employed to research vital issues. Our goal is to work with all parties concerned to expedite mutually beneficial decisions on matters of social welfare impacting the Heights.



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2008 SAHA MEMBERSHIP DONATIONS

By Pam Schulz, Membership Chairperson

As of December 1st, the Membership Committee is extremely enthusiastic with the considerable number of donations already made for 2008. The funds received through the membership donations are used for the operation of the San Antonio Heights Association, with our greatest expense being the publication of the Gazette Newsletter published quarterly. This printed list has proven to be helpful to residents to help them track whether they have paid or not. All contributions are greatly appreciated and our thanks to everyone who takes the time to share in the expense of the Association. (If you would prefer your name not be included on this list, please call the SAHA Message Phone at (909) 985-6996 or e-mail heightsneighbors@aol.com and let us know so we can respond to your wishes.)

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SAWCO NEEDS OUR HELP TO CONSERVE WATER – WE NEED SAWCO TO HELP US SELECT OUR REPRESENTATIVES

By Ken McNeil, Resident

I imagine SAWCo will soon be asking the residents of San Antonio Heights to conserve more water. Unless we get some much needed rain, they will have a hard time delivering all of the water required to keep our lawns and plants healthy.

Do not be surprised if next summer the San Antonio Water Company requests San Antonio Heights residents to do a better job of conserving water. Almost everyone can do more to conserve water, and although we may have some cool and wet days now, this summer there could be a legitimate water shortage.



It seems ironic, the San Antonio Water Company will probably be asking us to use less water in 2008, but at the same time ignore our community's request to choose our two representatives on the Water Board. For unknown reasons, the current Mayor of Upland, with the support of SAWCo Board Members, has chosen to select all members of the SAWCo Board. Unfortunately, the two current Water Board members from San Antonio Heights have turned down several requests to meet with the San Antonio Heights Association Board, and they have no plans to meet in the future. What do you think would happen if Heights residents refused to conserve water? The Water Board would label us as being self serving, uncooperative, and probably much worse.

I am not seeking to once again serve on the SAWCo Board, but I think it is time for our community to be involved in the selection process. Surely, if SAWCo wishes to have us work together to conserve water, there must also be a willingness on the part of SAWCo to allow our residents a voice in the selection of representation from SAH to serve on the SAWCo Board.



San Antonio Heights/Mt. Baldy Crime Statistics

From San Bernardino County
Sheriff's Department

| | <u>11/1/06</u> <u>1/31/07</u> | <u>2/1/07</u> <u>4/30/07</u> | <u>5/1/07</u> <u>7/31/07</u> | <u>8/1/07</u> <u>10/31/07</u> |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Assault | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Assault w/weapon | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Burglary J/O | 2 | 1 | 5 | 4 |
| Domestic Battery | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Felony Child Abuse | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Felony Spousal Abuse | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Grand Theft | 0 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| Grand Theft Auto J/O | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Petty Theft | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Rape | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Robbery/Strong Arm | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Vehicle Burglary J/O | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| TOTALS | 13 | 9 | 15 | 10 |

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The staff wishes to thank the many residents for the wonderful compliments we receive. It is our desire to continue to publish a newsletter that is informational, interesting and fun to read. We welcome your continued comments and suggestions. But more importantly, we would love to print your articles. You may contact us through the SAHA Message Phone (909) 985-6996.

JN MEMORY OF

BUD GROSSBERG

9-13-33 to 10-14-2007

Bud died at his home after a valiant battle with cancer. He was surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Hinsdale, Illinois and moved to California in 1945. Bud graduated from El Monte High School in 1951. He received a full track and field scholarship to UCLA. He also served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He settled in Upland, raised four children and began a CPA practice. He was active in the community, manager of Little League Baseball, coached Pop Warner football; a former member of Ontario Parkway Kiwanis, a member of B'nai B'rith. He thoroughly enjoyed his service as a Captain in the San Bernardino Sheriffs Department's Specialized Bureau until his last days. Bud enjoyed his second home in Parks, Arizona, where he could ride his quad across a forest of Ponderosa pines. He was an avid golfer and loved the outdoors. Bud also enjoyed the world of business where he had great success with his accounting practice. He loved his clients and they loved him.

ALLINE MARY KOSHER MCNEIL

2-21-1908 to 12-19-2008

Alline, mother to Ken McNeil, SAHA Board Member, passed away December 19, 2007 at her home in the Claremont Manor. She was born in Riverside, moved to Upland when she was two years old, then to San Antonio Heights until 2005 when she moved to the Claremont Manor. She graduated from Pomona College in 1929 and in 1933 she married Nellis Cooper McNeil in Yuma, Arizona. She and Nellis had three boys and two daughters. Alline was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Upland and a lifetime member of the Upland Woman's Club. Those at Claremont Manor will always remember how nice it was to be around Alline and remember her favorite saying "Take Care and Beware". The day before she passed away she was ardently arranging flowers, one of her lifetime passions. You may have seen her in the past years trimming the roses out front of her house on Euclid Avenue. Alline would be honored if you remembered her by performing a special act of fondness in her memory.

TRICIA BORBA VASQUEZ

2-8-1968 to 12-17-2007

Tricia, daughter to John Borba, SAHA Board Member, and wife, Cyndie, a teacher in Mt. Baldy, passed away February 17, 2007. Tricia was born at Pomona Valley Hospital, lived in Upland and attended Magnolia Elementary and Upland High School. In 1986, Tricia moved to Encinitas. She married Randy Vasquez in 2002 and moved to Escondido. She

was co-owner and hairstylist of Strands Salon in Oceanside. Tricia enjoyed her volunteer work and was an active board member and director of volunteers for the Nicholas Woods Friedrichs Ataxia Foundation. She was a vibrant, beautiful red-head who enjoyed the ocean, love to play golf and softball. She cherished and loved family, friends and animals. She was loved and survived by a large family and many friends. Please keep John and Cyndi in your thoughts and prayers as they deal with the passing of their only daughter.

GEORGE MILLER LEE
9-23-1933 to 9-20-2007

George was born in Covina, grew up in Glendora, graduating from Citrus Union High School and Claremont Men’s College. He was a star athlete, excelling in football, baseball and track. He is survived by his wife, Carol, of 52 years, a daughter, Marianne, and son, Madison, and his wife, Gina, and three graddaughters. After a long and successful career in retail, George became a respected member of the Tarbell Realtors. He was also active with the Boy Scouts of America for over 40 years. He loved to sing barbershop and was a member of the Inland Empire Harmony Carousel Chorus for more than 11 years. George was known for his love of preparing food “campground style” and was a regular and invaluable volunteer to the Citizens on Patrol annual breakfast. In recognition and honor of his service and dedication, COP volunteers recently voted to name the breakfast the “George Lee Memorial Pancake Breakfast”.



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16TH ANNUAL SAHA MEETING MINUTES – NOVEMBER 13, 2007

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Ken Petschow; he then led the flag salute. Life Bible Fellowship Church's Minister of Care and Visitation, Mike Cloud, gave the invocation. President Petschow introduced 2007 Board members: John Borba, Brian Brandt, Gary Crites, Betty Garrison, Tom Gomez, Martha Goss, Donna Hawthorne, Michael Holzman, Cal McElwain, Ken McNeil, Ken Petschow, Kathy Rietkerk, Bob Shannon, Bob Thies, and Holly Wood.

Tim Johnson, representing 2nd District Supervisor Paul Biane's office, said good progress is being made on the trails; repaving of Mesa Terrace and Ocean View; reducing speeders on West 23rd Street; property has been identified for the Heights' Sheriff's Department Substation - office should be available in late 2008. Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training classes will be held January 12, 19, and 26, 2008.

Tracy Carleton, County Fire Department Battalion Chief, said only 400 calls were received this year compared with 1,112 in 2006. Most were medical issues, 33 regarding fire, and 48 traffic collisions. County Fire is being reorganized – expect LAFCO approval soon. Residents were encouraged to have evacuation plans available.

Lt. Wayne Bridges, CHP reported on efforts to reduce speeding on West 23rd Street with thin resources. Radar speed identification trailer is being repaired; will be in use soon.

Sheriff Department's Chino Hills Station Captain Rick Carr stated his area includes Chino Hills and County areas. Calls for services increased from 1,200 to 1,429. Crime reports dropped from 209 to 160. He thanked Citizens on Patrol, the eyes and ears of the Sheriff's Department. Captain Carr plans to retire in 2008.

Charles Moorrees, San Antonio Water Company Manager, reported on their 125th Anniversary celebration held in November. The 2000 Water Master Plan has been completed; ready if another Grand Prix fire occurs. Costs continue to increase. New technology will allow meter readings to be accomplished in two hours versus current two persons and two days. Some wells are being rehabbed. With continuing dry years, all possible water sources are being identified. A new well costs \$1.5M. Recycling water is a possibility. Are now in voluntary water conservation. Rebate programs are available.

Ray Musser, Upland City Councilman, provided an interesting map of San Antonio Heights and brought greetings from Upland. His e-mail is available along with copies of his newsletters.

Gary Crites and Mike Holzman provided information on the Community Emergency Response Team program. Training classes will be held January 12, 19 and 26, 2008. Volunteers are encouraged to attend.

Phillip Krause/Jim Canady, County Public Works, reported the Trails Conceptual Plan is available; now working on the Master Plan. Involved with Corps of Engineers, DWP, and SAWCo.

President Petschow stated the 2006 Annual Meeting minutes were printed in the April 2007 Gazette and copies are available here. Tina Nelson made a motion to accept the minutes as distributed; Martha Goss seconded; it was unanimously approved.

SAHA Board Treasurer Donna Hawthorne reported a balance of \$7,286.56, Star account is \$8,205.83; total \$13,272.49.

President Petschow reported two memorial benches have been installed; Christmas star is being rewired (12 hours per section); will be up for the Holidays. Martha Goss established a memorial foundation in memory of her daughter, Rebecca. Mrs. Goss discovered the hardship on some parents to pay for funeral services of children killed recently on Highway 395; the foundation will assist. SAHA supports this foundation. President Petschow also touched on several items of interest: speeding on 23rd Street; very good cooperation with SAWCo, Danielle Borish (Supervisor Biane's office), Sheriff's Department, County Fire, and California Highway Patrol. All have been very responsive.

Cal McElwain thanked CHP for their responses. Currently have about 25 members in Citizen Patrol; he feels patrol car visibility reduces graffiti. Over 700 people were served at the Annual Pancake Breakfast – funds raised are used for Citizen Patrol expenses.

President Petschow introduced 2008 SAHA Board nominees: John Borba, Gary Crites, Betty Garrison, Tom Gomez, Martha Goss, Donna Hawthorne, Michael Holzman, Cal McElwain, Tina Nelson, Ken Petschow, Kathye Rietkerk, Bob Shannon, Cat Stein, Bob Thies and Holly Wood. The nominees were then elected.

Pam Schulz conducted the prize drawing. Gifts included \$80 certificate from Mitchell's Plumbing, an airplane ride with Ken Petschow, gift baskets from Upland Main Street and Tom Gomez, a \$25 gift certificate, and a wine basket.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

1. Why is it so difficult to get construction contractors to clean up – gravel and dirt piled up on Vista and Sierra. San Antonio Crescent East was blocked one day. Tim Johnson: Contact Code Enforcement, a reactive department, or call Supervisor's office.
2. Would like West 23rd between San Antonio and Mountain repaved. Danielle Borish: Still in negotiations with Upland – repaving should start in January.
3. Early morning speeding (45-50 MPH) on West 23rd. Response: Expect to have a traffic speed machine installed. Also expect to issue speeding tickets.
4. Horse trailers parked by non-residents. Response: Is a CHP responsibility who will address the problem. There is a 72-hour limit on street parking; then ticket is issued. If vehicle is not removed, it will be towed.

5. 900,000 people were recently evacuated during 14 fires. CERT training most beneficial. In 1981, there were 32 deputies for mostly agricultural land. City had 37 deputies. Now have 16 Country deputies. Thom Wellman: Deputies go where calls are. Working to obtain 'no trespassing' signs. He will follow-up.

6. Cucamonga Creek is full of graffiti, dead coyotes, trashed cars, etc. Charles Moorrees: Appalled by trash and graffiti. SAWCo does regular monitoring. Working with Pomona, Upland and Mt. Baldy. Used 100 volunteers to clean up streams. Will address this specific problem.

7. What can be done about abandoned vehicles? Tim Johnson: Contact Code Enforcement – or Supervisor Biane's office. NOTE: Cal McElwain stated at least one clean-up day per year is conducted with the County's help.

8. Some property lines appear to be 14 to 100+ feet different from County records. Still have objections to flag lots. Tim Johnson: Some records are quite old. Contact County Planning Department, Assessor's Office and/or Supervisor's office.

9. Contractors are storing materials and large vehicles in back yards. Tim Johnson: Study will be done. Such business should not be conducted from homes.

10. The Colonies basin is evaporating rapidly; it is helpful to our basin. Understand action is delayed due to the lawsuit. Charles Moorrees; Cleaning the basin is a County responsibility. Understand cost is about \$35M. Will probably be cleaned next year.

11. No invitations/notices on the lawsuit have been received by Heights' residents Goss, McNeil, etc.

12. No public mailbox has been available since the loss of Albertson's. Tim Johnson: Will follow-up. Suggest a letter be sent from the SAHA Board. LBF Church might be able to provide location for the box.

13. What's happening with Albertson's lot? Would like another market there. Response: Property is privately owned and listed for lease/sale. Mike Cloud: Understand property was considered for a drug store/small grocery.

14. How much water stock is needed to construct? Charles Moorrees: An application must be completed and landscape plans submitted. SAWCo then determines need. They do not shut off water.

15. Captain Carr reported two individuals were arrested for illegal dumping. Cameras have been installed and pictures were placed in the Gazette. Tim Johnson: County spends about \$.5M for clean-up.

There being no further business, President Petschow thanked all for attending and adjourned the meeting at 9:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted.

Betty Jo Garrison, Secretary



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Wednesday Family Night 7 pm
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