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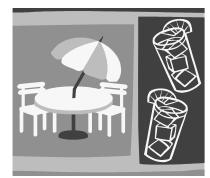
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San Antonio Heights Crime Statistics

By San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department

	11/1/2005-10/31/2006	11/1/2006-2/1/2007	2/1/2007-4/30/2007
Assault	8		
Assault w/weapon		1	
Burglary J/O	11	2	1
Domestic Battery	5	1	
Felony Child Abuse	2		
Felony Spousal Abuse	1	1	
Grand Theft	11	0	3
Grand Theft Auto J/O	10	1	1
Petty Theft	22	4	2
Rape	1		
Robbery/Stong Arm	1	0	1
Vehicle Burglary J/O	2	3	1
TOTALS	74	13	9

Rebecca "Becca Boo" Goss

Rebecca Goss was killed instantly in an automobile accident in upper Rancho Cucamonga on March 3rd This young sixteen year life was quickly snatched away from the John and Martha Goss family. The loss of this sweet, vivacious, young girl who everyone knew as "Becca Boo" affected not only her family but her many friends, neighbors and acquaintances.



There are so many mementos in Becca's room - her first drawings, art, photograph albums, school work, poetry she had written and loved. On a hook was her western hat which had traveled endless hours and many miles with her and had been filled with autographs and final wishes from pallbearers and family members. Her parents had lovingly saved so many precious memories of every phase of her life.

Becca's love for

horses came naturally, as her Mother continued to ride while pregnant with Becca. Once Becca was big enough, she was in the saddle as well and continued to ride, love horses, and the sport of riding throughout her short life. Becca taught youngsters to ride horses with her first priority being "safety by the rider and for the horse".



Becca was full of "Love". No



one was a stranger for long once they met Becca. She instantly loved everyone and everyone loved her.

Our hearts go out to the Goss family and they will always remain in our thoughts and prayers for the loss of this beautiful young lady whose life and dreams were taken away too early. Although we know God must have had a purpose for her, it does not change the pain that is felt by everyone and the days of loneliness without her. "Boo-yah Memorial Ride" In Memory of Rebecca "Becca Boo" Goss



Max, Becca's Horse, bowing during the invocation held at the end of the Memorial Ride

A tribute was held on Sunday, March 12, 2007, where friends and family remembered this horseloving girl at the "Boo-yah Memorial Ride". Boo-yah was the phrase that Becca often exclaimed while riding. The memorial started on Euclid and 13th and ended at the entrance of San Antonio Heights on 24th. More than 100 people gathered to pay a final tribute to Becca. Rhonda Wilson, Becca's long time friend, along with Becca's parents and siblings, led the way on horseback. Some people were on horseback while others walked. Cars slowly followed with the words "Love you, Becca Boo" written on the windows.

From the Goss Family

The Goss family wishes to thank the many residents and community who sent flowers, cards, made visits, calls, and kept them in their thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time. The outpouring of love of everyone was very helpful and did ease some of their pain knowing they had so many friends. Also, thanks to everyone who made memorial contributions to the CRHA. A dedication trophy is being designed by Martha Goss and will be given at a competition in October.

SAN ANTONIO HEIGHTS LONG TIME UPS DRIVER RETIRES

By Pam Schulz

Recognize the delivery driver in the picture? Karl Madel, UPS Driver retired after 32 years at UPS with 15 of those serving the residents here in the Heights. His last day of employment was

June 29th and I for one will miss his friendly smile and wave.

During Karl's years of service, he received recognition for 29 years of safe driving. He also had a special interest in safety and was involved in safety training for the past five years. He loved working in the Heights area because he said everyone is so friendly here. He typically spent about five hours a day in the San Antonio Heights area



Good luck with your retirement,

Karl! We will miss seeing Karl in the UPS truck but we know we will still see him around as he, lives in our area

HOW COULD YOU?

It has been brought to our attention once again that a few of the homeowners or their guests think that our neighborhood is a race track for their pleasure. Would it be too much to ask that these few individuals SLOW DOWN and respect the safety of our children, walkers, bicycle riders and horses? Please be more cautious and watch out for the safety of those around you. We should all, in the interest of a safe San Antonio Heights, take down license plate numbers and description of vehicles who abuse our neighborhood and report these individuals to the California Highway Patrol. In the past six months, there have been several avoidable accidents in the Heights.

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.

SAN ANTONIO HEIGHTS BACKYARD PRODUCE EXCHANGE

By Robert Shannon, Chairperson



Wanted! Please donate to the Exchange any excess fruits, vegetables and /or flowers and plants you have so we can share with other residents.

The Exchange is held the first Saturday of the month in the Life Bible Fellowship Church parking lot. Follow the signs and you will find a lively group of people. We open at 9 a.m. and close at 11 a.m. Most of the time we have hot tea, coffee and good stuff to eat.

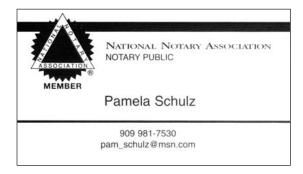
We accept donations but we don't ask for donations

The schedule for the rest of 2007 is: July 7, August 4, September 1, October 6, November 3 and December 1 – rain or shine.

In April and May vegetable plants such as tomatoes, peppers, squash and eggplants were given away to the residents with the hopes they will bring back any produce they don't use to exchange with other residents who don't grow any or just need something to have for lunch or dinner.

We usually have members from the San Antonio Heights Association and Citizens on Patrol on hand to answer questions, listen to your concerns and pass on information available to us.

If you need help picking your produce, please call SAHA message phone (909) 985-6996 and someone will get back to you.





CITIZEN ON PATROL 12TH ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST - A RESOUNDING SUCCESS!!

By Betty Garrison, COP Volunteer

The San Antonio Heights-Mt. Baldy Citizen Patrol held their twelfth annual pancake breakfast on Saturday morning, May 26. It was a resounding success with over 740 breakfasts served during a three-hour period; by far the largest crowd ever in attendance.

Attendees were treated to sausage, pancakes, scrambled eggs, coffee, milk, and orange juice. A



number of dignitaries assisted in the cooking including Sheriff Department Deputy Chief Sheree Stewart, Captain Rick Carr, and Deputy Matt Griffith and CHP Captain Lynn Jones. The Explorers from Chino Hills and Boy Scout Troop 614 of San Antonio Heights were extremely helpful in the set-up and takedown of tables, chairs, and shades; in cooking eggs; and serving of beverages.

A number of displays were available including Station 12's fire engine, San Antonio Water Company, Fire-Safe Council and the San Antonio Heights Association, the Citizen Patrol, and the Lemonheads from our

local Çadette Girl Scout Troop who sold Luminaries raising funds for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

The Patrol is extremely grateful for donations received: 90 dozen eggs from Shelton's Turkey Ranch; sausage provided at cost by Cask N Cleaver; funds from the San Antonio Heights Community Church and numerous individuals; use of the grill by the Montclair Fire Department; equipment, tools, and labor provided by George Lee; pancake syrup from Albertson's; and the numerous hours donated by various volunteers.



The most wonderful thing about the breakfast is neighbors visiting neighbors; for some, this is about the only time they see each other.

Monies raised are used to provide uniforms and supplies for the Citizen Patrol – including food for next year's breakfast, scheduled for Saturday, May 25th, 2008. Mark your calendars now!!!



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AS FIRE SEASON APPROACHES WE ARE REMINDED OF DEVASTATION FROM 2003 GRAND PRIX FIRE

By Donna Hawthorne, Committee Member

Fire Safe Council committee members invited residents attending the Pancake Breakfast on May 26th to join the Fire Safe Council Team. The Team's goal is to educate all residents of the steps they can take to create a *fire safe* landscape and to make available outside resources to answer any questions they might have.

Bill Peters, Information Officer at the Resources Agency Department of Forestry and Fire Protection/San Bernardino Unit, talked with residents. Officer Peters will be available to assist the Fire Safe Council Team as they proceed with furthering the education to keep San Antonio Heights *FIRE SAFE* this season. Officer Peters can be reached at (909) 881-6923 and or by email Bill.Peters@FIRE.CA.GOV.



Kat Steins, Bill Peterson, Gary Crites, Michael Holzman and Donna Hawthorne Committee chairperson, Gary Crites, and committee members, Donna Hawthorne, Michael Holzman and Kat Steins were on hand to pass out brochures which included a "Homeowners Checklist" (suggestions for inside and outside on how to make your home fire safe)

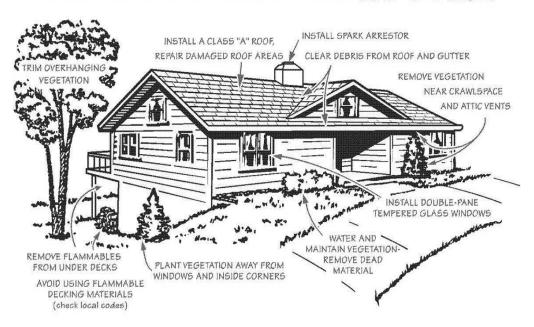
A Homeowner's Guide to Fire Safe Landscaping (explains how to create a fire safe landscape in seven steps and also cautions residents of things that will endanger a home if even just an ember landed on a little pile of flammable material and how and what to avoid having around).

In September members will begin the process to request grants to help fund the possibility of removal of weeds, debris, trees and shrubs from non-resident areas.

If you lived in San Antonio Heights during the Grand Prix Fire in 2003, I am sure you have greater concerns today about the safety of your property and your neighbors. If you have become a resident since then and do not know there were eleven homes destroyed in that fire, and only a few of those residents have completed the rebuilding of their homes.

Please take time to read the very valuable information that we have printed in this issue from the brochures (next couple of pages) that were distributed at the Pancake Breakfast. The committee meets monthly and welcome residents who are interested in joining the Fire Safe Council Team. Please contact us with your concerns and/or questions by leaving a message on the SAHA Message Phone (909) 985-6996.

PROTECT YOUR HOME FROM WILDFIRE



Get Ready for Fire Season Get Defensible Space



Homes with defensible space have a much greater chance of surviving a wildfire than homes without!

We at the San Antonio Heights Fire Safe Council encourage you to give your house a fighting chance during a potential wildfire by establishing your defensible space.

Defensible space breaks up the continuous path of plants that could carry wildfire to your home and it gives firefighters a safe zone from which to fight a wildfire. It is worth your effort!

Defensible Space: You can do it

- Remove all flammable vegetation around all structures. State law requires a minimum of 100 feet clearance, but check with your insurance agent to see if your carrier requires more. For more information about state law, contact your local fire department.
- Trim trees so branches are six feet from the ground and 10 feet from your chimney. Remove branches overhanging your roof.
- Call your utility company for help with trees near power lines. Never trim these yourself.
- Remove any dead trees.
- Cut weeds and dead grasses six inches or shorter.
- Always work early in the morning and make sure your power tools have spark arresters to prevent equipment-caused fires.
- Ask your local nursery about landscaping with beautiful, fire-resistant plants.
- Maintain defensible space by clearing up plant litter and watering properly.

Fire Safe Inside and Out Homes with defensible space have a much greater chance of surviving a wildfire than homes without!

We at the San Antonio Heights Fire Safe Council hope you'll agree your future happiness is worth this effort. We encourage you to make your home fire safe, side and out- it could be a lifesaver.

Fire Safe Outside: You can do it

- Clean dead leaves and needles from your roof and gutters.
- If you're reroofing, follow your fire department's current fire safe roofing standards.

- Cover your chimney outlet and stovepipe with non-flammable ½"mesh screen.
- Enclose the underside of eaves, balconies and decks with fire resistant materials to keep out flying embers.
- Stack woodpiles at least 30 feet from all structures.
- Locate LPG tanks at least 30 feet from any structure; maintain 10 feet of clear space around the tanks.
- If you're replacing windows, install only dual- or triple-paned windows.
- Establish defensible space.

Fire Safe Inside: You can do it

- Install smoke detectors between living and sleeping areas.
- Install smoke detectors in bedrooms if you sleep with the door closed.
- Change smoke detector batteries when changing to daylight savings and standard times.
- Keep a charged, ABC-type fire extinguisher in the kitchen and garage; make sure family members know how to use it







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DRY WINTER, FIREWORKS DON'T MIX

By Paul Biane, Chairman, Board of Supervisors, Second District



An extremely dry winter left our region especially vulnerable to fire this summer, and if you add fireworks to the mix, the danger grows exponentially.

That's why I am urging residents to leave the fireworks shows to the professionals this 4th of July. There are many safe and organized fireworks events planned in the Second District and throughout our County where you and your family can enjoy the sights and sounds of a traditional Independence Day celebration.

As you probably know, all fireworks are illegal to sell or use in unincorporated areas of San Bernardino County, and only a handful of cities still allow the sale and use of

"Safe and Sane" fireworks, such as sparklers and other non-aerial pyrotechnics approved by the State Fire Marshall.

Dangerous fireworks such as bottle rockets and Roman candles are illegal to possess or use anywhere in the State of California, but unfortunately, people have found ways to smuggle these dangerous fireworks into our state.

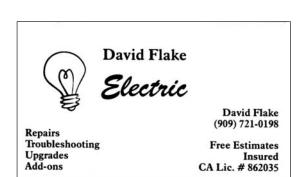
San Bernardino County has clamped down on one of the main routes used to funnel illegal fireworks into the state from Nye County, Nevada. The fireworks are legal in Nye County, but once they cross the state line, it's another story.

Members of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Arson and Bomb Detail along with County firefighters and others regularly stage checkpoints along the highway leading from Nye County to Baker. Sometimes they catch people smuggling a few bags of illegal fireworks. Sometimes they stop people carrying truckloads of pyrotechnics that were more than likely intended for sale in our state.

People caught with illegal fireworks face criminal prosecution that can lead to hefty fines or jail time. An ordinance adopted by the Board of Supervisors last year also requires violators to pay for the disposal of their pyrotechnics.

I hope you and your family enjoy a safe and organized fireworks display this 4th of July.







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ROBERT SHANNON, HEIGHTS' RESIDENT RECEIVES RECOGNITION FOR SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

By Donna Hawthorne

Robert was recently honored by All City Management Services for his valuable service and dedication in providing safety to children attending Valencia Elementary School on 22^{nd} in Upland. The All City Management Service provides crossing guard service to Upland schools. He began as an "on-call" employee but has now been with the Company for the past three years as a regular employee.



Robert said he was excited about the recognition but his real satisfaction is when a child says "thank you, Mr. Shannon". He especially appreciates the personally made cards from students with their messages of thanks to him at the end of the school year and during the holidays. These are the memories and mementos he treasures most. He is happy he can give back to the community by contributing to the safety of children through his duties as crossing guard.

Bob makes sure student (and others) cross street safely

In 1962, Bob was born in Upland at San Antonio Hospital, grew up in San Antonio Heights, attended school in Upland and from 1981-85 he majored in Aeronautics at Chaffey Jr. College studying airframe and power plant. In 1986, Bob joined General Electric in Ontario where his Dad was working and remained there until 2000 at which time he quit to stay home to be a caregiver to his parents.

Bob has many wonderful memories of growing up in the Heights on Park Boulevard with his family. He enjoyed hanging around the kitchen when his Mom was cooking and as a result he became quite accomplished with several of her "good ole southern" recipes. He and his Dad shared many hours of fun while being involved with YMCA Indian Guides. Bob lived in the same house on Park Boulevard from 1975 until recently when his house was sold. Prior to the sale of his house Bob contemplated moving to Indiana to be near relatives, but has delayed that

move indefinitely to experience views from the top of SAH. He has set up a temporary home at the Petschow pad where he plans to provide some much needed security.

Bob has seen the Heights change dramatically over the years. More residents, new houses replacing groves, a bit more traffic, but the Heights is still occupied with wonderful, friendly, and helpful people. "You can't beat that for the quality of life up here" he said.

Bob has served as a board member with the San Antonio Heights Association since 2002. During his service with the Board Bob has served as Chairperson for the Historial Society and the Produce Exchange.

Bob has an intense interest in the history of the Heights. He has researched and written many articles for the Gazette and has been an enormous drive in moving ahead with the Historical Society where he served as the first committee chairperson. Because of recent changes in his life he has been unable to keep that commitment but he is committed to helping the new Chairperson, John Borba.

Bob's service on the Board has also included the undertaking of the Produce Exchange which he does set up and preparation on the first Saturday of each month together with any other duties required to keep this community based effort alive and productive. We all know when we need help, if Bob makes the commitment, he will be there.

At any event, whether it is an annual or board meeting, responsibility with recycling, pancake breakfast, you name it, if it is a community event, Bob is there helping out somewhere! He is always generous with his time.

The Citizens on Patrol is also another group Bob has been involved with since July 5, 1995 when the Patrol was originated. He enjoys the camaraderie of other volunteers, takes pride in helping residents, and feels his efforts and the time volunteered provides him much satisfaction and pleasure.

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Where Are The Recycle Bins?

By Tom Gomez, Recycling Chairperson

Many San Antonio Heights residents were asking this question when the recycling bin was

missing in May. In April when Albertsons moved to their new location in The Colonies, they canceled the Burrtec services at the old location north of 24th street. In May, a few days before the Pancake Breakfast, the Association contacted Burrtec to pick up and empty the recycling bins and confusion



began. Because Burrtec had been instructed to pick up ALL trash bins, they made the assumption that meant the recycling bin as well. With a number of phone calls to Burrtec and Tracy Trigg, our former Albertsons manager, the Association was given permission to keep the recycling bins until their lease ends in October. Typically the Association benefits about \$1,000.00 each year from these bins. These funds are used by the Association in its operation and to cover the cost of projects such as putting benches on the trails, dedication plaques, etc.

We encourage everyone to recycle but if you are unable to take your recyclables to the Recycling area, please continue to use the blue recycle bins from Burrtec. Recycling benefits our community as well as everyone.

Our special thanks to Albertsons for their continued support by letting us keep the bins in place for the next few months.





SAH WINDOW STICKERS FOR SALE \$5.00 EACH



Board Member, Ken McNeil was on hand at the COP Pancake Breakfast selling the newly completed SAH stickers. Stickers are \$5.00 each and they come in a variety of colors, six different choices.

Stickers can be purchased at the Backyard Produce Exchange, by email at <u>Heightsneighbors@aol.com</u>, by leaving a message on the SAHA phone 985-6996, or at any Association event.

The San Antonio Heights Gazette Newsletter Staff

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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.

2007 SAHA Membership Donations

By Pam Schulz, Membership

We are continuing to receive a greater than usual membership and patron donations to the Association. We are very excited with the early responses for 2007. The following is a list of those who have made contributions through June 1st. If you would like your name omitted from this list, please call the SAHA Message Phone at (909) 985-6996 and leave your name and number or e-mail heightsneighbors@aol.com and we will respond to your wishes. Your contributions are greatly appreciated and we thank you very much!

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RESIDENTS OPPOSED MULTI-PURPOSE TRAIL ROUTE

By Martha Goss, Chairperson of Trail Committee

On May 24th, Philip Krause, Chief of Planning for the San Bernardino County Regional Parks Department and Maureen Snelgrove, Deputy Director of Regional Parks met with residents who would have been affected by the proposed route for the multi-purpose trail

designed for San Antonio Heights. The trail would have extended from the median of Euclid Avenue and 24th and proceeded North up Euclid Crescent East to Belleview to link with the trail below 26th.

Approximately forty residents attended and



expressed their concerns. Alternative routes are being considered and will be proposed in the very near future. The committee for the proposed multi-purpose trails would like to thank everyone who attended and expressed their interest. We hope they will continue to share an interest and be involved in this project.

Do you have High Water Pressure?

By Tom Gomez

Did you know having high water pressure in your plumbing system can be damaging and very expensive if not corrected right away?

Not knowing what you're water pressure is, can cost you hundreds and thousands of dollars a year, if it's excessive.

High Water Pressure is defined as; anything over 80 P.S.I. according to the United Plumbing Code. A desirable pressure range is between 45 – 75 P.S.I.

The results of having high water pressure over a period of time are,

- 1. Causes water heaters, toilets, faucets and hose bibs to leak and constantly need to be repaired or replaced.
- 2. Causes supply lines and valves to toilets, faucets, dishwashers, icemakers and washing machines to leak and/or burst.
- 3. Causes main water lines and sprinkler feed lines to leak and/or burst.
- 4. Causes water hammering and/or squealing sounds in piping systems.
- 5. Wears out the entire plumbing piping system including appliances such as, water heaters, washing machines, dishwashers and icemakers.
- 6. Wastes hundreds of gallons of water per year.

Are you currently experiencing any of these problems?

All water leaks can easily be repaired for a reasonable amount of money. But if the leaks are due to high water pressure, your chances increase of a much bigger problem, such as a busted pipe or supply line causing a flood and/or major water damage to your home. Many leaks from high water pressure are actually the water pushing past washers, gaskets and seals in faucets and valves not designed to withstand excessive pressure. Most plumbing materials and faucets are constructed to the more common range of 50 - 60 P.S.I. A water pipe or supply line can burst when the inner walls have been worn away due to the high water pressure, and eventually weakening an area causing it to split open.

Compare your results

45 - 75 **P.S.I.** Congratulations, you have the desirable pressure range, many water leaks in this range are due to sediment, hard water and normal wear.

80 - 95 **P.S.I.** Caution, you have excessive water pressure. If you have a water pressure regulator, have it adjusted or replaced. If you do not have one, schedule to have one installed

100 - 120 P.S.I. Warning, serious leaks and water damage will occur. Have a water pressure regulator installed immediately, if you do not currently have one. If you do have one, it has failed, have it replaced.

Over 125 P.S.I. Extremely Serious, water leaks and damage will occur, same as above and also notify San Antonio Water Company to find out if there may be a problem in the system.

Maintaining proper water pressure to your home, not only saves you money, by reducing water waste and repair costs, it can also prevent you home from major flood damage.

Marjory Garfield July 22, 1917 – April 10, 2007

Our condolences to the family of Marjory Garfield who we featured in the April issue.



Because of Marge's long term status living in the Heights she was featured on the front page. Marge would have turned 90 this year and our thoughts had been to hold the story for print until the summer edition to coincide with her 90th birthday.

As soon as the newsletter was printed a few copies were dropped off to Marge. She was so thrilled; she called and asked for a few additional copies commenting that she had never been so popular and it only took 89 years.

We feel very blessed that we changed our minds and printed the story of this wonderful sweet woman in the April issue and

featured her on the cover. Sadly Marge passed away on April 10^{th.} God bless you, Marge, you will live forever in our hearts.



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Where is Your San Antonio Water Company Stock Certificate? By Ken McNeil, Water/Legal Chairperson

Do you know where your Water Company Stock certificate is stored? Do you know if you have the certificate, or if it is being held by your lender? Unfortunately not everyone can answer these questions. Some day when you sell your house, the buyer is going to want your stock, and you will need to produce your stock certificate. If you cannot find your certificate, a lost bond instrument from an insurance company needs to be obtained for about \$350 and a new certificate will need to be issued. This will not happen



overnight, and the new certificate must be signed by either the president or the vice president of the Water Board. This process can hold up the sale of a house, and without water stock the sale will not finalize unless the buyer will agree to buy without the transfer of water stock---highly unlikely.

Losing track of your stock certificate is just one of the many problems which can develop regarding ownership of San Antonio Water Stock. A divorce can cause a barrel of problems. If the stock is in the husband and wife's name, both parties must sign the certificate before the certificate can be transferred to another party. If either the former wife or husband refuses to sign, there can be big trouble.

A death of someone who is named as the owner on a stock certificate is usually a fairly easy issue to resolve. It involves showing the necessary documents including a death certificate plus the original stock certificate. A new certificate can then be issued. Unfortunately, a lot of people do not keep all of their important records in one place. Trying to find a water stock certificate is often a frustrating experience for the survivors of someone who has died.

The Water Company has a lot of stories regarding stock certificates. Most center around ugly divorces. Hopefully a divorce is not in the future of anyone living in San Antonio Heights, but if your stock certificate is not in a safe place with other important documents, you might want to consider tracking it down and putting it with these other records. If you are having trouble finding your stock certificate, I would recommend contacting the Water Company to see if the Company's records indicate the stock certificate was sent to your lender.



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