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TO INVITE YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS
TO THE SAN ANTONIO HEIGHTS

**ANNUAL COMMUNITY
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2020
8 A.M. – 11 A.M.**

**LIFE BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH
2426 NORTH EUCLID AVENUE, UPLAND**

PANCAKES, SAUSAGE, SCRAMBLED EGGS,
FRESH SQUEEZED O.J. & COFFEE

TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE APRIL 16, 2020

Adults \$5.00 – Children \$2.00

RAIN OR SHINE – BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Bob Cable



I recently had a conversation with a few residents in Upland. It seems that water and water rates of our neighbors to the south have become an issue in this election cycle by some, and there is quite a bit of misinformation going around. Since we (San Antonio Heights residents) are all shareholders in the San Antonio Water Co. and pay a much lower water rate than residents in Upland, a little education would go a long way in eliminating the "us against them" mentality that seems to be starting on the subject of water.

First off, all of US had to purchase water shares to be able to just obtain water. The current going rate for a ¼ share is around \$14,000.

This is the absolute minimum for older single-family homes, and we still pay a monthly fee on top of the initial purchase price. This means that if a resident in Upland had a monthly bill of \$150 and owned shares of stock in the San Antonio Water Co. and could obtain water (which they can't because they are on the City of Upland Municipal Water System) that they would in essence be pre-paying almost 8 years of water along with a monthly rate. I don't know of many individuals in the City of Upland that want to or if they could, pre-pay 8 years of water.

San Antonio Water Company is a Mutual Water Co. The laws concerning this Mutual Water Co. state that they can only sell water AT COST. What this means is that shareholders can purchase the amount of water equal to their shares allotted. This also means that the City of Upland can purchase water AT COST from the San Antonio Water Co. The City of Upland is a Municipal Water Co. and is not required to abide by these laws and can sell water to the residents of Upland at a much higher rate, which they do.

I hope that this may explain a little bit about your Water Co. So rather than being your water is cheaper, and us against them, how about we all take time to educate one another and explain the differences between the two water systems and the personal financial obligations involved?

ANNND, with the judge's ruling on the FP-5 tax that we were paying... I am still waiting for a refund. Guess I may have to knock on a few doors at the county soon.

To purchase tickets for the Community Breakfast on Saturday, May 16th, please leave your name and phone number on the SAHBulletinBoard@gmail.com or by phone at (909) 638.1673, and someone will get back to you.

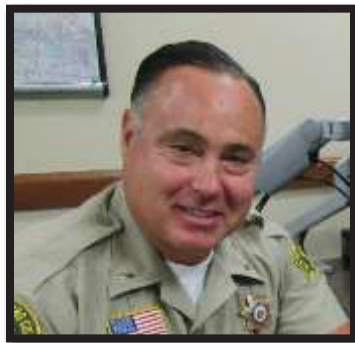
Meet San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department FONTANA OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THE HEIGHTS

BY: Nancy Crabtree, COP Member

CAPTAIN JOE BUSTAMONTE has been assigned to the Fontana Station since March 2018 and with San Bernardino County (SBC) Sheriff's Department for 29 years. The deputies assigned to the Heights report directly to Captain Bustamonte. As a young man, Captain Bustamonte always wanted to be in law enforcement. To achieve his goal, he joined the SBC Sheriff's Explorer Scout Program while in high school and, after graduation, attended Mt. SAC for two years while applying for a deputy job. He was the first person to be hired to the Los Angeles Police Academy (LAPA) under the age of 21 and served there for two years before joining SBC Sheriff's Department. Captain Bustamonte has been married for 20 years and has a 17-year-old son. His wife is self-employed working with medical billing. He enjoys RV camping, fishing and is a dedicated Dodger fan.



Joe's future with the Department looks bright and he is encouraged with the support of our Heights' community. He stated that our vigilance by paying attention, involvement in what is happening in our community and calling dispatch is very important – **Non-Emergency (909) 829-7311**. Remember the Sheriff's Deputies cannot respond as quickly as residents would like them to. They do have extra support of neighboring police departments, as needed. Also, a reminder, if you have traffic issues or concerns, you should notify the California Highway Patrol.



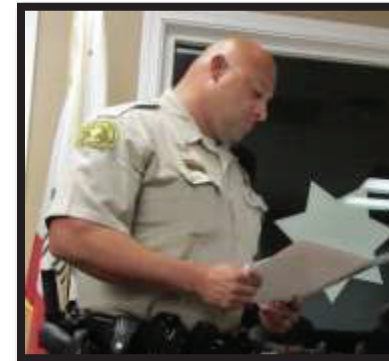
LIEUTENANT ROBERT BOYD has worked with Captain Bustamonte as an Executive Officer since November 2018 and has been responsible for a variety of duties in Fontana during his 29-year career with SBC Sheriff's Department. His wife is self-employed and his 12-year-old daughter, is the "apple of his eye". Lt. Boyd graduated from the University of Riverside and was hired by SBC Sheriff's Department at age 22. Lt. Boyd's interest in being a police officer is because he wanted to give back to his Community. Lt. Boyd

believes policing is a combined effort within any community. It is always impossible for an enforcement officer to be available and that is where the dedicated support of the

Meet SBC Sheriff's Department Officers and Deputies Assigned to SAH (Cont.)

Citizens on Patrol (COP) is vital along with the San Antonio Heights residents' watchful eyes to keep our community as safe as we can. San Antonio Heights is very fortunate to have two full-time deputies assigned to our area. The ratio of police to citizens is much higher than most covered areas in the County. The Sheriff's Department staff really appreciate the efforts of the San Antonio Heights Citizens on Patrol. **REMEMBER: COMBINED EFFORT MEANS LESS CRIME** The residents of the San Antonio Heights are very appreciative of the services we receive from the deputies assigned to our Community. With our continued relationship and working together with the deputies along with a strong support system from their management, we will continue to have one of the most desirable and safe neighborhoods in our area.

WELCOME SBC SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES



DEPUTY JAMES THOMPSON: "I am here to work with the communities of San Antonio Heights and Mt Baldy in pro-actively patrolling these neighborhoods. I hope to learn the needs of the communities as I interact with them. I come with the goals of the Sheriff's Department in mind to these communities and the overall goal of community policing. I look forward to the endeavor of making our communities safer and better by working together and hope to create new bonds in the process. Thank you, and I look forward to seeing and meeting as many residents as possible."

DEPUTY CHRIS HENRY has been recently assigned to SAH. Deputy Henry has been in law enforcement for nineteen years and with SBC Sheriff's Department for fourteen and one-half years and assigned to Fontana /Rancho Cucamonga in 2012. He feels like a golden goose at being assigned to the Heights. Deputy Henry was born and reared in Glendora. He has been married for 24 years and has three children (two girls/one boy). He enjoys surfing, snowboarding, hiking and is a member of an ice hockey team. One day he hopes to travel with a 5th wheel to see our wonderful country.



SAN ANTONIO HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION
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Don't forget to mark your calendar to attend the Annual Community Breakfast on May 16th. - See front page for more information or email SAHBulletinBoard@gmail.com or leave message at 909.638.1673. Someone will contact you.

Ken Petschow Appointed SAHA Board Emeritus Member

By Donna Hawthorne

Ken Petschow has been a member of the San Antonio Heights Association since 1991, a board member since 2000, president from 2006 to 2017 and will remain on the Board as an Emeritus Member.



I thought our readers might enjoy portions of an article about Ken that we published in 2006 since he is one of the longest serving members of the Board and I am sure he will continue a very close connection and represent us as needed.

Ken was born in Pasadena and moved to Upland in 1974 when Upland was still mostly orange and lemon groves above Foothill Boulevard. He attended Sycamore Elementary (5th & 6th grades), Pioneer Junior High, Upland High and Cal Poly Pomona.

Ken's first job was at age 10 for Fred Dundas changing out old smudge pots for new and replacing wicks. Fred helped Ken get started in his first business at age 11 when he gave him ten smudge pots to convert into mailboxes. He cleaned and painted the smudge pots and installed a mailbox on top and then went door-to-door selling them in the new tracts of houses that were being built in Upland.

Ken's second adventure into employment came when he found several old beehives in the lemon grove behind his house and he decided to research how to start bee keeping and selling local honey door-to-door. He eventually ended up with five hives and all the honey sales he could handle.

When Ken first moved to Upland and had not yet made new friends, he would ride his bike three blocks to Cable Airport where Dewey Cable, the owner, would stop him and warn him not to ride his bike on the airport property around the airplanes. After being caught many times, Dewey Cable became frustrated and offered him a part-time job pulling weeds and picking up trash in the parking lot and around the tiedown area. Eventually Dewey offered money to pay for his flying lessons and he became a bus boy at the New China Restaurant on Foothill just south of Cable Airport.

Ken learned to fly at Cable and became a flight instructor while still in high school. He was also towing advertising banners with an antique Stearman Biplane out of Chino Airport to build flying time. His dream became a reality when he became a corporate pilot and flew for many companies in Southern California. He was hired by American Airlines in 1989 and is currently flying the Boeing 777 to London and Tokyo.

In 1986, Ken bought his first home on 25th Street in San Antonio Heights. He immediately became involved in community affairs mainly regarding San Antonio Water Company and low pressure and failing infrastructure issues along West 25th and south to Mesa Terrace. Ken purchased the

Star House in 1996. Unfortunately, it was destroyed by the Grand Prix Fire in 2003. Although Ken's house was destroyed in the fire, he kept his commitment to the original owner of continuing the yearly lighting of the Star. Ken rebuilt the Star in 2004 and increased the height to 65' and SAHA purchased LED bulbs several years ago which are sturdier and help prevent breakage during the winds.

Ken felt he needed to step down from his position as President in 2017 but wanted to continue serving on the Board. His schedule has become even more hectic and less flexible since he began flying international. Ken has always been loyal in representing the Heights and would always make our meetings fun but productive. His contributions during these years of service have been extremely valuable and he has always been and will continue to be a pleasure to work with. We appreciate his interest and willingness to continue serving in this capacity.



SAHA DONATES \$1,000 to San Bernardino County West Valley Search & Rescue Team By Donna Hawthorne

On September 19th, the West Valley Search & Rescue Group celebrated thirty-four years of service. At our April Association Board meeting, members voted unanimously to donate \$1,000 to the rescue volunteers who served under the direction of former Sheriff Deputy Rich Farrow. The Association presented a check at this event to Commander Tom Henderson and the team members. The funds from this event will go to the purchasing of life saving equipment "*So others may live*" and allow the group to purchase updated and quality equipment they badly need to help in future search and rescue efforts. We were thrilled to be able to share in giving this gift to these rescue volunteers who are so very committed to the many hours required for training to help others and are responsible for their equipment, uniforms and expenses. We received a thank you letter from the Search and Rescue Team expressing "sincerest thanks and appreciation" to the San Antonio Heights Association and residents for the donation.

Unfortunately, this group lost one of their own team members this past year in December while they were searching for the lost hiker in Mt. Baldy who has not yet been found.