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Preservation Team -

A neighbor from my previous neighborhood of Matthews and Stevenson alerted me to the request to demolish 2002 Scenic. This property was the location for several neighborhood Holiday parties when the property was rented to Whit and Allison Hanks. Whit was friends with one of the Slaton's and was able to rent it. What a historic location for neighborhood events!!

It was at this location in 1997 or so that I had a conversation with Tito Beveridge about his plans for the future. He said "I'm starting a vodka company." My response "Good luck with that!" The rest is history.

The wonderful Scottie Stevenson was in attendance at these Holiday parties. Dressed to the nines and every bit the former First Lady of Texas, Mrs. Stevenson was a delight to talk to and learn about her fascinating life. We'd all walk the one block to our houses together after the party concluded.

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/austin-tx/edith-stevenson-8213422>

My son, who is a stone carver, woodworker and artist commented that many of the staircases on the property are carved into the rocks cascading down the hill. Very unusual to see that quality of workmanship these days.

The entire property, with the triangular pool, changing rooms, greenhouse, stone bridge, pathways and numerous stone buildings, is a community treasure. Please do not grant the demolition permit. The property should be restored and preserved.

Thank you for your consideration.

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