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Sunburst

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***p*resident's Notes**
By Rich Taylor

While I am always reluctant to open any communication with bad news, I want to get your attention right up front. As much as we would like to believe that we live in a safe community filled with law abiding citizens, recent events challenge those beliefs. At our last Cellular On Patrol (COP) meeting we reviewed reports of at least four burglaries in various parts of El Dorado. Unfortunately, some of the burglars were not deterred because the residents had not adequately secured their homes, even when some of the homes had security devices.

Be sure you have adequate locks and other security features on your home. And be sure you use those locks and security features as they are intended!

At least one of the burglaries took place during daylight hours with the suspicion that the intruders may have been residents of the area and thus possibly familiar with the schedules of the residents. Please do what you need to do to keep your home and possessions secure. Also, help your neighbors by watching for any unusual activity around yours and your neighbor's homes. If you see anything suspicious, do what you can to get a description of the suspect(s) and notify the police right away.

These disturbing new reports emphasize the need for more residents to help their neighbors by becoming involved in the COP program. If you and other concerned citizens get involved in COP and give an hour or so each week in patrolling the neighborhood your visibility will make a big difference. Each potential COP member must attend a one-time, four hour training session at the North Police Substation at 13030 Jones Maltsberger before you can participate in a patrol. To get a schedule of upcoming classes and reserve a space, call Officer J. Dave McDonald at 207-6086.

On another subject of concern to many residents, do you contribute to the clutter and show lack of care for the community by leaving your **UGLY TRASHCANS** in plain view? Please show more interest in the appearance of your area and consideration for your neighbors by taking a few minutes to store those **UGLY CANS** out of sight as soon as possible after they are emptied.

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Rich Taylor

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Virginia Hickerson Ross

Virginia "VA" Louise Hickerson Ross, age 87, passed from this life at Heartland Rehabilitation Center in San Antonio, Texas, on Wednesday, February 3, 2010, after a valiant struggle with chronic pulmonary disease.

Born March 18, 1922, in Batesville, Arkansas, Virginia spent many years in Corpus Christi, Texas, before settling in San Antonio, Texas. After graduating from Arkansas College (now Lyon College), she supported the war effort by working at General Dynamics in Fort Worth, Texas. Later, she taught mathematics both in Corpus Christi and at Eisenhower Middle School in San Antonio for many years. Virginia was a member of the Rolling Oaks Christian Church and was active in the El Dorado community, often working on the Sunburst community newspaper.

Survivors include her three children: Laura Ross McGlothlin (husband Brant), Jimmy Ross (wife Kay), and Beth Ross Henry; her five grandchildren: Ben McGlothlin, Ross McGlothlin (wife Heather), Jessica Ross, Laura Ross, and Clayton Rollins; and numerous other family and friends. Virginia was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 49 years, James Franklin Ross, also of San Antonio, Texas, and by her dear sister Mary Elizabeth Crow of Elaine, Arkansas.

Services were held at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 7, 2010, at the Mission Park Funeral Chapels and Cemeteries, located at 3401 Cherry Ridge, San Antonio, Texas. The burial was held in private. Those who could not attend the service may wish to sign the guest book at www.missionparks.com.



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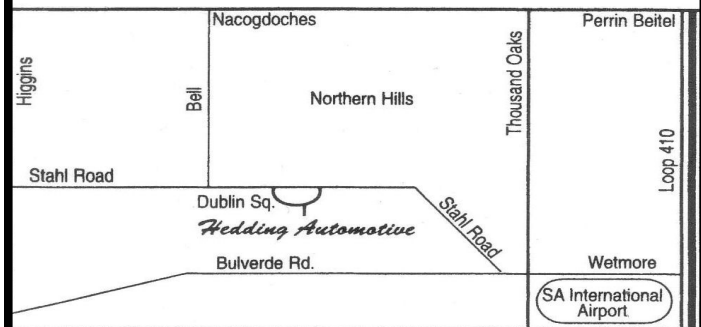
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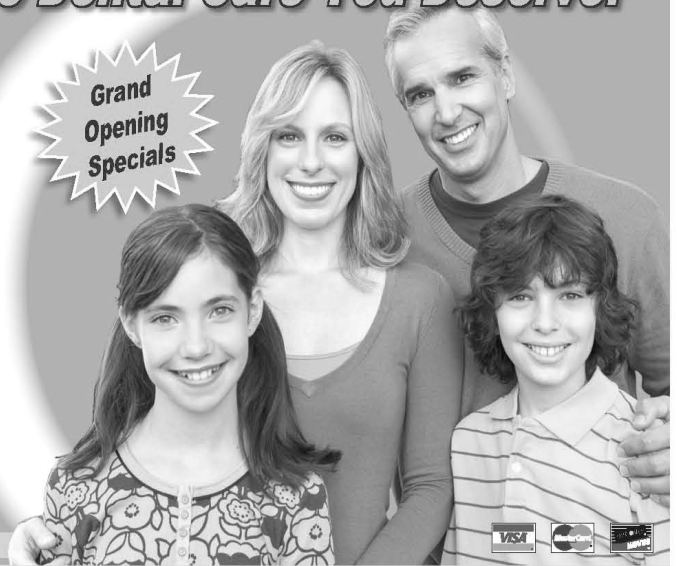
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Dear Neighbor,

Please remember that when you are driving west on Leonhardt, and I am turning on to Leonhardt from El Arroyo, my visibility is limited. If you are not turning right on El Arroyo, please move to the left lane to help me negotiate the intersection.

Sincerely,

Your Neighbor

Condolences

to the family of Lawrence Pease, who died February 12th. Mr. Pease was an avid walker, sometimes walking alone, but more often with his two dogs. Those of us who saw him almost every day will miss his presence in our lives.

Linda Garris

The Sunburst is sent to print approximately two weeks prior to its distribution. Therefore, it is difficult to get unplanned or last minute messages and/or events listed in the newsletter.

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Asparagus Casserole

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| 2 eggs | |
| 1/2 t salt | 1/2 stick oleo (margarine) |
| 1 1/2 C coarsely
grated cheese | 3 dozen Ritz crackers |

Beat eggs and mix with milk and liquid drained from can of asparagus. Add salt. Place layer of crackers in bottom of medium size baking dish, follow with layer of asparagus, layer of cheese and portion of the oleo. Repeat layers. Pour milk and egg mixture over layers, cover with crackers, sprinkle top with paprika. Bake at 375 for 15-20 minutes or until mixture thickens and top is brown. Serves 6.

Submitted by Jane Cobb
"What's Cooking in El Dorado"
August 1976

Condolences

to the family and friends of Henrietta Redepenning, who passed away on February 18th. Henri and her husband Chuck, who predeceased her, were long-time supporters of EDHA and very involved in the neighborhood. She was an active member of St. Helena's Catholic Church and a volunteer for SAMM Ministries. She is survived by six sisters, her four children and their families, as well as a very large extended family. Henri will certainly be missed in El Dorado.

El Dorado Homes Association Calendar

March	2nd Monday 3rd Monday 3rd Monday	Neighborhood Meeting COP Meeting District 10 Neighborhood Alliance Meeting
April	1st Saturday 2nd Monday 3rd Monday	Easter Egg Hunt Neighborhood Meeting COP Meeting



Hats Off To... Bill & Joyce McIlvain

who have helped deliver the Sunburst for years and now have to give it up due to her ill health.
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Cajun Fest

The American Legion Post 592 will host the 3rd Annual Cajun Heritage Fest at Pickrell Park in Schertz from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, March 20, 2010. Funds will be used to support various Post and Community activities. Cajun cooks are encouraged to enter as contestants. Live music and numerous activities will occur. **For further information contact Charlie Hanson at (210) 789-1733 or Lloyd Buckmaster at (830) 996-1532.**

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Club House.

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*Don't forget to
change your
clocks on
March 14th
for the
beginning of
Daylight
Savings Time!*

"A light exists in Spring
Not present in the year
at any other period
When March is scarcely here."
~ Emily Dickinson

JUNK IS SOMETHING YOU'VE KEPT
FOR YEARS AND THROW AWAY
THREE WEEKS BEFORE
YOU NEED IT!

HELP WANTED

See Page 2 for committee
openings within EDHA!
This is your neighborhood.
You can make a difference!

Condolences

to the family of Virginia Ross. I first met Virginia and her husband Jimmy at an annual EDHA meeting around 1975. They were the warmest people and that left an impression on me and many others in the neighborhood. They were very active and strong community supporters. Virginia and Jimmy were still there supporting community efforts when I started begging for volunteers in 1990. They always came with a smile and they often donated for projects when the Homes Association didn't have the funds. Virginia continued to be active in the neighborhood after Jimmy died in 1995. El Dorado is a better place and many lives, including mine, have been positively touched because of Virginia and Jimmy. Virginia, I will miss your smile and the way you always bounced into my presence.

Linda Garriss

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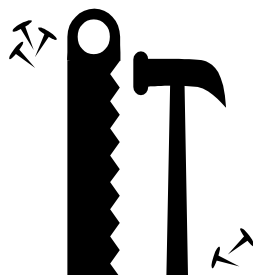
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THE 2010 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

THANKS TO ALL YOU EARLY BIRDS for your continued support. It is encouraging and makes El Dorado the special place it is. If you have any suggestions for improvements in EDHA, please let anyone on your Board know.

Thanks again,
The Membership Committee

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Congratulations!

*to Henry and Hazel Gantz, who
have been members of the
El Dorado community since
November, 1969.
They have been faithful
supporters over forty years!*

Condolences

to the family of Leon Scrutchin, my long-time neighbor, who died on January 25th. Leon, his wife Phyllis and daughter Kelly moved into El Dorado in 1978. They were great neighbors and we became good friends. I will miss seeing Leon come and go in his pick up truck. There will always be an empty spot in the lives of those who loved him.

Linda Garris

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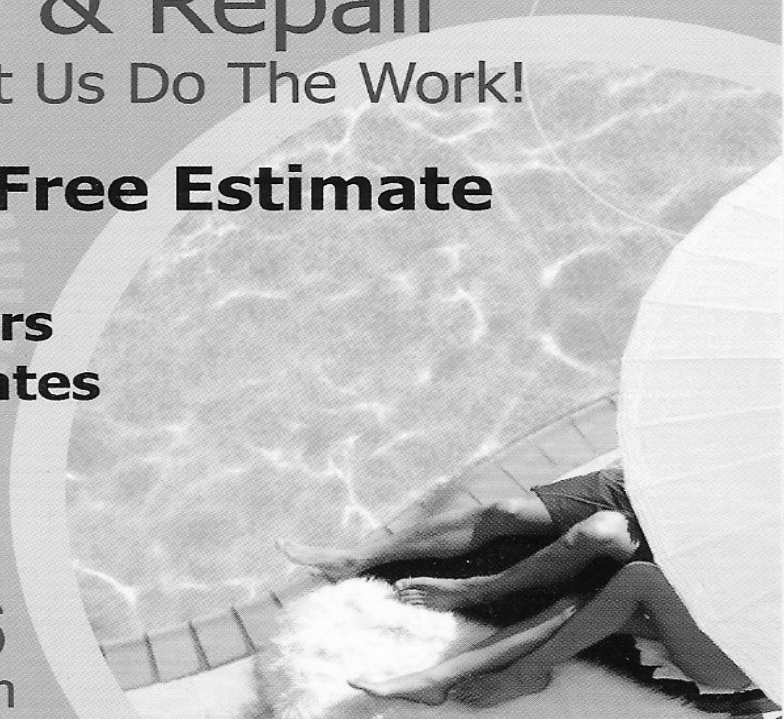
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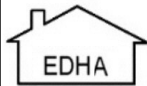
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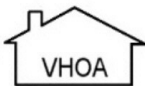
Submitted by Cindy Garrett

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Thousand Oaks Branch Library

March 2010

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March 1st (Monday)

6:30-7:30p Monday Afternoon Book Club.

Discussion of the book:

City of Thieves by David Benioff

Wednesdays

(March 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st)

5:00p *Teens at Thousand Oaks*

Books, crafts, games, movies... grades 6 and up

Scrapbooking

March 8th & 22nd (Mondays) 4:00-5:30p

Bring your photos and supplies.

Some supplies such as paper, stamps and
ink pads will be provided.

Thursdays Story time

(March 4th, 11th, 18th, & 25th)

10:00a Recommended for children ages
18mo – 3 years

11:00a Recommended for children ages
3 – 5 years

March 15th (Monday)

5:00-7:00p KLRN Kids Event

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TAX SEASON!!!!

VITA Program (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) offers free tax help to low- to moderate-income people who cannot prepare their own tax returns. Certified volunteers will be here to help prepare basic tax returns.

Starting Jan 15th – April 15th

Tue 10-5, Thur 1-5, Fri 10-5, Sat 10-5,
and Sun 11-4

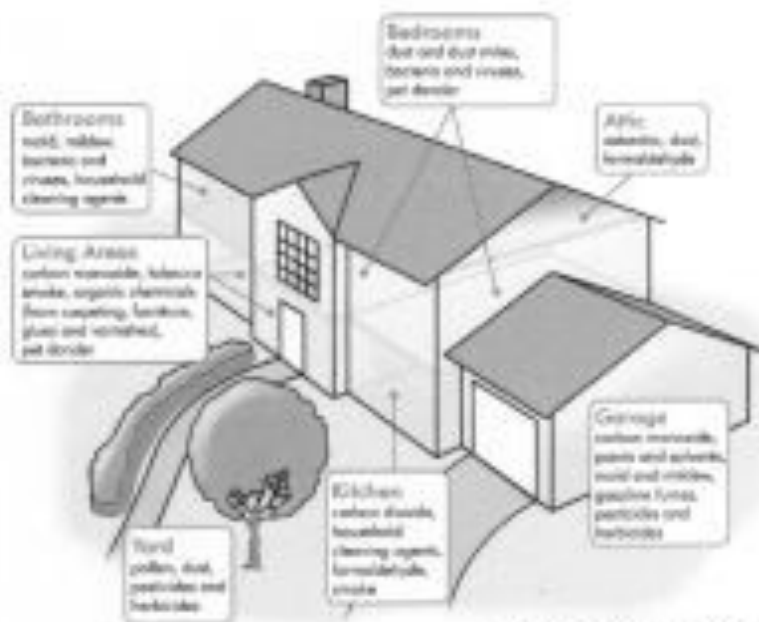
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NEWS FROM DISTRICT 10

U.S. 2010 Census in San Antonio

Soon, the United States Census Bureau will mail more than 600,000 Census forms to households across San Antonio and Bexar County. To ensure valuable community services and a better quality of life for our community in the upcoming 10 years, the City of San Antonio and Bexar County want to ensure that everyone living in our area is counted.

Your participation in the 2010 Census will ensure that a portion of the \$400 billion in federal funding will go directly to local community programs, healthcare, schools, and infrastructure. In addition, an accurate count of the population assures political representation at all levels of government. Collected census information is not shared with anyone, including the Internal Revenue Service, Immigration and Custom Enforcement, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Central Intelligence Agency, or any other governmental agency. There are no exceptions.

Expect the Census questionnaire to arrive in your mail box in the week of March 15, 2010. With only 10 questions, it's the shortest questionnaire in history and only takes about 10 minutes to complete. Fill it out! It's in your hands San Antonio! For more information, visit www.sanantonio.gov/census.

2010 Cesar Chavez March for Justice

Saturday, March 27, 2010 1:00 p.m.

The 2010 Grand Marshal for San Antonio's "Cesar Chavez March for Justice" will be Mayor Julian Castro. The March will be the 14th Annual March and is co-sponsored by the City of San Antonio.

New Social Security Office near District 10

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Plastic grocery bags not accepted in City's curbside recycling program



The City's Solid Waste Management Department (SWMD) wants to remind San Antonio residents that plastic grocery bags are not accepted in the City's curbside recycling program.

Plastic grocery bags are lightweight and are prone to getting tangled in recycling equipment and conveyor belts. They can also contaminate items causing them to be rejected.

However, if you want to recycle your plastic grocery bags, SWMD encourages residents to take them to their local grocery store that has containers to collect and recycle plastic bags.

At home, residents should place recyclable items directly in the blue cart. No bags are needed for recyclable items. If you are using plastic grocery bags to separate your recyclables from your trash, please remember to remove the items from the plastic bag before throwing in your blue cart.

Bags should only be placed in your brown cart. If you forget just remember bag in brown, recycle in blue, it's easy to do.

So remember, no bags in your blue cart, just rinse and throw your recyclables right in.

2010 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Maintenance fees are the lifeblood of the El Dorado Homes Association. They are the main source of the revenue required to keep our neighborhood safe, attractive and vibrant. These fees pay for the many expenses that we have as a community, including, but not limited to the following:

- ◆ Keeping the lake mowed and trash-free
- ◆ Paying for insurance, utilities and taxes on the clubhouse, pool and common areas
- ◆ Sponsoring social events and gatherings where neighbors can build relationships
- ◆ Providing for upkeep of the common areas
- ◆ Creating a unique atmosphere that shows a sense of pride in our community!

We are fortunate to live in a neighborhood where the homes association is still active. Because of our residents and the work of the EDHA, we have a beautiful community, a unique paseo and a fantastic pool. We have an assortment of informational signage, which is kept current and relevant. The Social Committee plans events all year for residents' enjoyment, and the Cellular On Patrol program keeps plugging along in attempt to keep the neighborhood safe and crime-free.

2010 MAINTENANCE FEE INFORMATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Spouse: _____ Telephone: _____

Street Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Other household members at this address:

- | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| ◆ Full Maintenance/Pool Fee | \$160.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ◆ General Maintenance Fee | \$ 85.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ◆ Partial Payment * | \$ _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |

*For General, \$21.25 every 3 months (4 times a year) or \$45.00/\$40.00 split over 2 months

*Full Fees may be split \$80.00/\$80.00 or \$55.00/\$55.00/\$50.00, but must be paid in full prior to pool use.

Please Return to:

El Dorado Homes Association
12606 Prima Vista
San Antonio, TX 78233