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**EDHA
Christmas Potluck and
Karaoke
Monday, December 9,
7:15 PM
following a very brief
7PM board meeting at
the Club House**

Please join us!

Change of Date!

*Breakfast with
Santa
December 7
9am*

Information Inside

Deadline for January
Sunburst:
December 15th

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El Dorado Annual Christmas Lighting Contest

Start right away to prepare your
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Christmas Lighting Contest.
A team of judges has already been
selected and judging will be the week
of December 8-14.

Previous year winners
have done fantastic jobs.
Do all you can do to be a winner
this year!

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\$50 toward 2014 Maintenance Fee
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by the 15th of the month.**



Hats Off To... Don Flynn

For his service as Lake Chairman.
He did a fine job for El Dorado!
Thank you!

president's Notes

By ReINETte Alecozay



Merry Christmas, everyone!

Thank you for your very kind expressions of condolences to me and my brother. Our mother loved and served El Dorado with a passion. Now that I have more time, I am excited about serving you with much greater vigor!

We hope to see you all at the wonderful Breakfast with Santa Dec 7 at 9 AM! (Please note that it was moved up a week). This is a fun time for children to enjoy crafts, fun foods, pictures with Santa and a great time!!!

You are cordially invited to the Christmas Potluck and Karaoke Monday Dec 9 at 7:15 PM in the Clubhouse, following a very brief board meeting! The Board will provide the BBQ, plates and plastic ware. Please bring your favorite side dish and/or dessert and join the fun!

Why not compete in the Christmas Lighting Contest the second week in December? Winners get discounts off their 2014 Annual Maintenance Fee! It is essential that you have your address very clearly visible so the judges can see it in the evenings they drive. You can support EDHA and get your curb stenciled for only \$20.00. Send in your check today and indicate Curb Stencil in the "For" block of your check.

Thank you for all you do! Let us remember the reason for the season and take some quiet time to count our many blessings!

God bless you and yours! Have a very safe and happy New Year!

ReINETte Alecozay

December

1st Saturday
2nd Monday
2nd Week
3rd Monday

Breakfast with Santa
EDHA Meeting-Potluck and Karaoke-Club House
Christmas Light Judging
COP Meeting-Club House

January

2nd Monday
3rd Monday
4th Monday

EDHA Meeting-Club House
COP Meeting-Club House
Northeast Neighborhood Alliance Meeting



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Condolences

to Glenn and Melissa Miller and family on the sudden unexpected passing of their son.

*Please keep the Miller family in
your thoughts and prayers.*

Know an El Dorado resident who has gone above and beyond? Nominate them for recognition in our regular column, "Hats Off To..."

Contact the editor or any EDHA Board Member with your nominations!

Our good neighbors in Valencia invite you to subscribe to their email distribution list to receive timely updates from VHOA regarding happenings in the neighborhood and other important information that affects us all.

Please email Ed Alexander at
ed.alexander13318@att.net
to add yourself to his
email list.



*Breakfast with Santa
Come Join Us!
December 7th, 9:00 AM
in the Clubhouse*

*Donuts, milk and hot cocoa, crafts and your picture with
Mr. and Mrs. Claus!*

*Our good friends from Valencia will, once again, sponsor the craft.
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TOP 5 TIPS TO SIMPLIFY HOLIDAY BAKING

(BPT) - From cookies to cupcakes, the holidays just aren't complete without freshly-baked treats to gift, serve and enjoy. But baking isn't always a piece of cake, whether you're an expert or novice baker. So this year, as you preheat your oven and prepare to whip up dozens of your favorite recipes, check out these five helpful tips to ensure your holiday cookies don't crumble.

- * Pre-freeze cookie dough. Freeze cut-out cookies for 10 minutes before baking. They'll keep their shape better during baking and also rise slightly higher.
- * Use parchment paper. The versatility of parchment paper allows for fuss-free baking. It can be used to line baking sheets for evenly-cooked treats and makes cleanup a breeze.
- * Bake on the center rack. To allow for the most even heat circulation, bake your holiday cookies on the oven's center rack. Additionally, don't over-crowd the oven. This can cause uneven baking, resulting in underbaked or burnt cookies.
- * Use an air-tight container. After baking, place your cookies in an air-tight container before they are completely cooled. Doing so will prevent them from drying out and will keep them nice and chewy.
- * Stick with a simple recipe. If you're short on time or an inexperienced baker, stick with a simple recipe that you know will turn out great and is sure to please. Rolo Pretzel Delights are a fan favorite and can be made in less than 30 minutes.

Rolo Pretzel Delights

Ingredients:

Small pretzels
Rolo Chewy Caramels
(Milk Chocolate)
Pecan halves



Directions:

1. Heat oven to 350 F; line cookie sheet with parchment paper or foil.
2. Place one pretzel for each pretzel treat desired on prepared sheet. Top each pretzel with one unwrapped Rolo Chewy Caramels in Milk Chocolate.
3. Bake three to five minutes or until caramel piece begins to soften, but not melt. Remove from oven; top with either pecan half or additional pretzel. Allow the treats to cool completely.

For more festive holiday recipes, visit CelebratewithHersheys.com.



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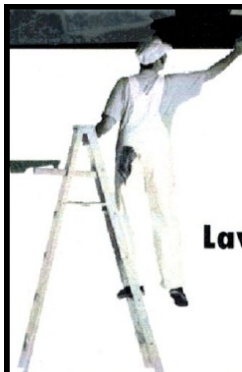
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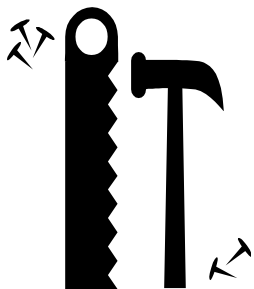
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Hats Off To... Carol C.

who volunteered to stay with my invalid mom while I was at the annual board meeting.

Carol is always serving our community unselfishly and quietly in the background, cleaning up graffiti and other tasks you might not realize. That is love demonstrated, isn't it?

Thanks, Carol, for your example!

Sincerely,
Reinette Alecozay

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Property Owner Sidewalk Maintenance Responsibility

Many Citizens assume that the City has the obligation to maintain all community sidewalks to keep them free from hazard and obstruction! However, City Ordinances require sidewalks to be maintained by property owners as an extension of their front yards.

This includes:

Minimum sidewalk clear-width of 36" free "from any defects or hazards" or obstructions such as mailboxes, basketball hoops, parked cars, trash cans, shrubbery or fences. **(Code of Ordinances, City of San Antonio,**

♦ Chapter 29, Article 1, Sec. 29-11)

♦ Minimum clear-height of 80", "keep all trees and shrubs on the premises well trimmed so they will not overhang the sidewalks or streets in such a manner as to interfere with free passage." **(Code of Ordinances, City of San Antonio, Chapter 29, Article 1, Sec. 29-10)**

♦ Maintain a smooth sidewalk rolling surface free "from any defects or hazards" such as large cracks, broken or uplifted sidewalk segments. **(Code of Ordinances, City of San Antonio, Chapter 29, Article 1, Sec. 29-11)**

♦ Citation and Fine of up to \$500.00 **(Ordinance #96242)**



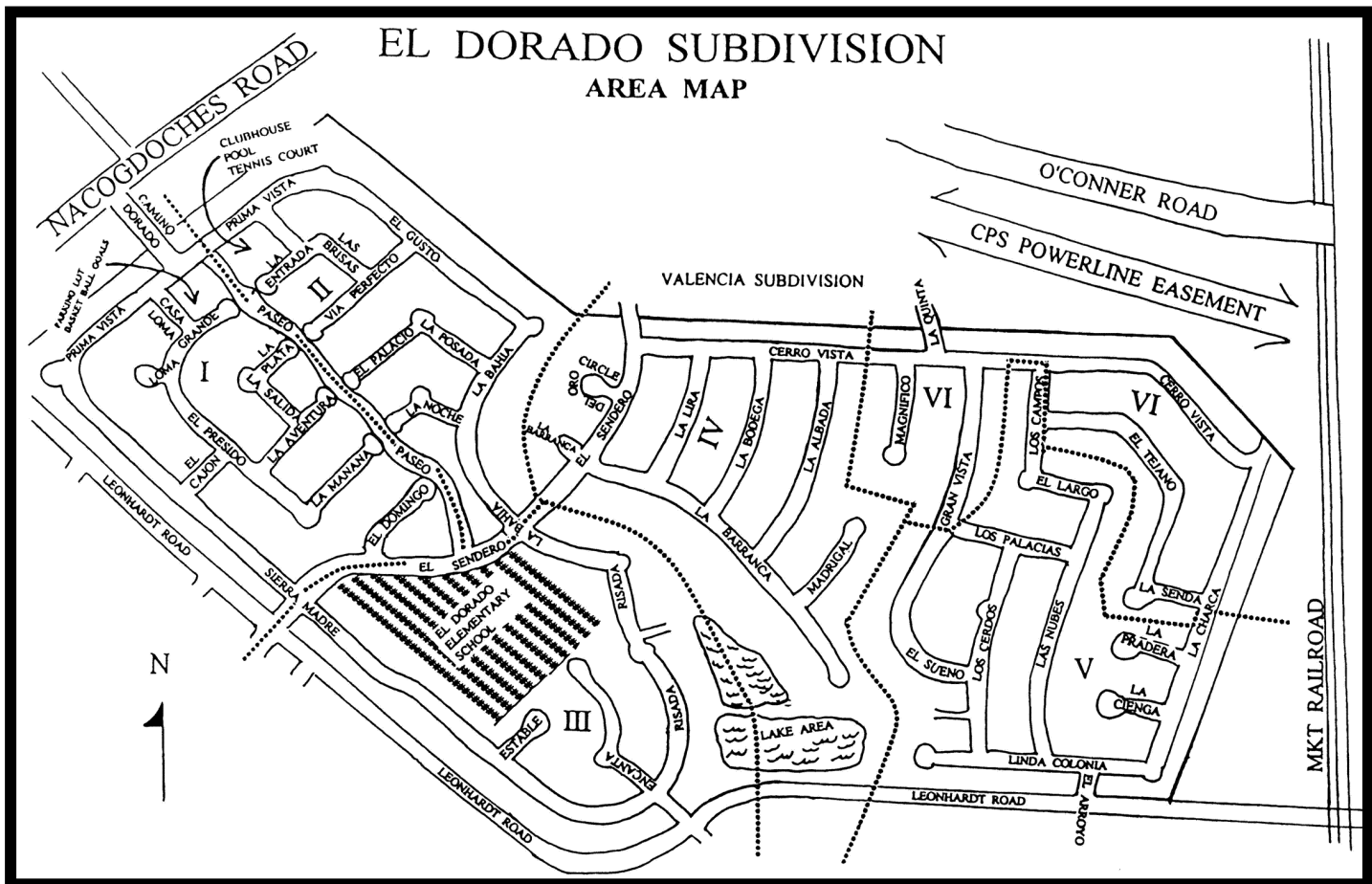
You may qualify for the city's free weatherization program to make your home more energy efficient and lower your energy bills with weather stripping, caulking, attic/wall insulation and energy efficient CFL light bulbs. No repairs are included. The program is free to those who qualify and apply. Details and applications are available at:

<http://www.cpsenergysavers.com/start-saving/weatherization-casa-verde>

If you need an application, you may also contact Reinette Alecozay at 241-2683, and she will gladly get you a copy. If you are renting, you will need your landlord's signature on the application. The income qualifications are as follows:

Family size	Gross Monthly Income	Gross Annual Income
1	\$1,915	\$22,980
2	\$2,585	\$31,020
3	\$3,255	\$39,060
4	\$3,925	\$47,100
5	\$4,595	\$55,140
6	\$5,265	\$63,180
7	\$5,935	\$71,220
8	\$6,605	\$79,260

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December 2013

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Hours of Operation

Mon. & Wed. 12-8p

Tue., Thurs.-Sun. 10a-6p

December 2nd (Monday)

6:30-7:30p Monday Evening Book Club

Discussion of the book *O Pioneers!* by Willa Cather

December 7th (Saturday)

10:00a – 3:00p Friends of the Library Book Sale

BOOK SALE!!! Come find all types of bargains on hardcovers, paperbacks, children's books, and various media.

Come support your library.

December 9th (Monday)

5:20p It's Movie Night!

Come see a free movie! Call library for listing.

December 10th (Tuesday)

4:00p-5:00p Lego Time

Come be creative with Legos!

Recommended for school-age children.

Please note: Lego creations must stay at the library.

December 16th (Monday)

5:00p – 7:00p Jingle Bell Jubilee

Kids of all ages will be ringing and singing, meeting and greeting, dancing and prancing at the Jingle Bell Jubilee!

Join us for some seasonal fun!

December 21st (Saturday)

10:30a-12:00p Friends of the Library Meeting

Wednesdays (Dec. 4th, 11th & 18th)

5:00p Teen Time

Games, books, crafts, movies and snacks...ages 13 and up.

Thursdays (Dec 5th, 12th & 19th)

Story time

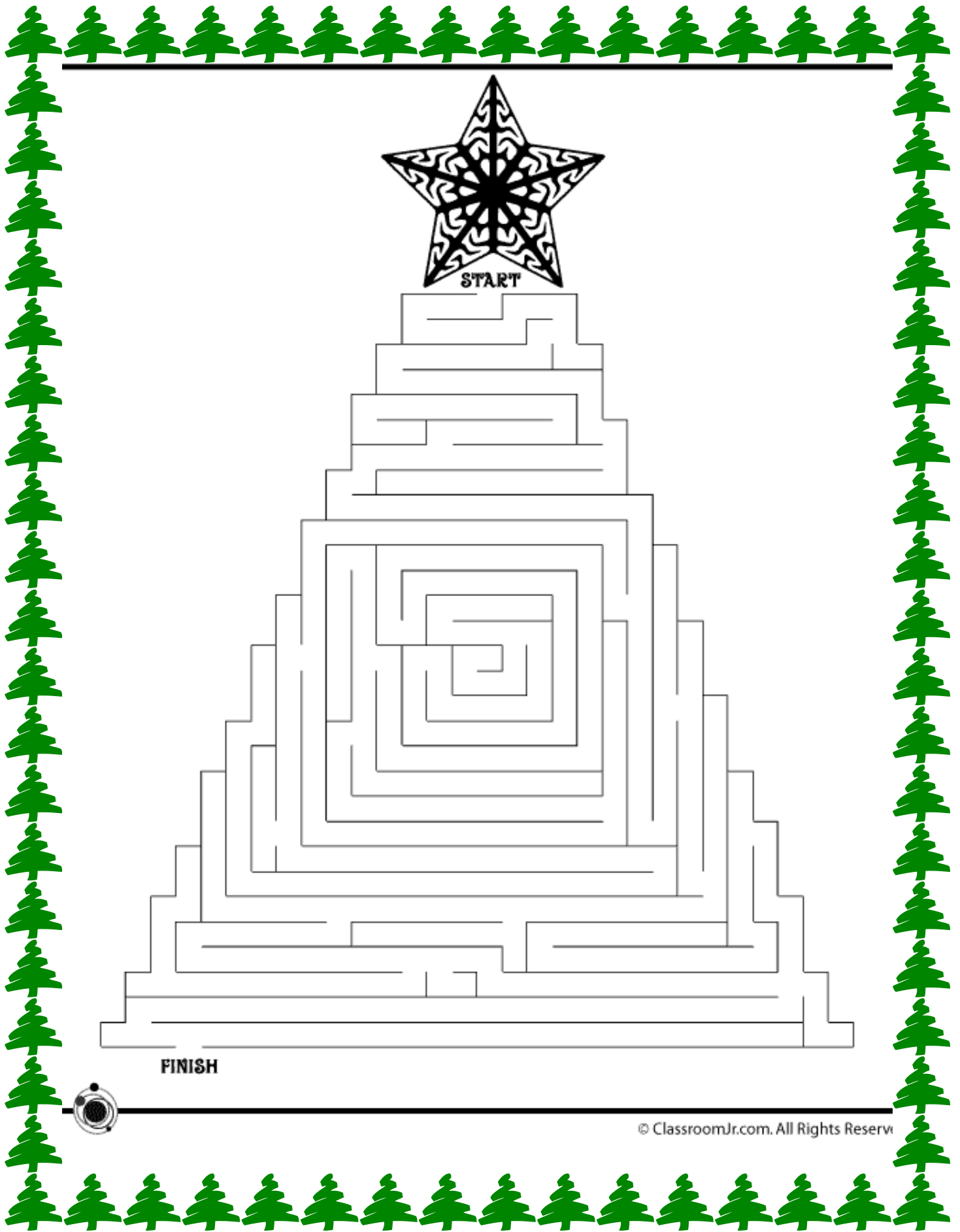
10:00a Toddlers actively participate in stories, music and movement enhancing their social, emotional and language development.

Recommended for children 18 to 36 months.

11:00a Preschoolers enjoy stories and songs that develop early literacy skills and foster curiosity.

Recommended for three to five year olds.

Call library for details for any of the above mentioned programs and/or events.



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