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Christmas Lighting Contest Winners

1st	12511 La Mañana
2nd	5211 La Barranca
3rd	4930 Sierra Madre

Honorable Mention:

12714 El Gusto
12722 El Gusto
12106 Los Cerdos

Most Creative:

4827 Sierra Madre

A hearty Thank You to everyone who participated in "lighting up" El Dorado with lovely holiday decorations.

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Monday,
January 11th
7:00 PM
AT THE CLUB HOUSE

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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!



**Monday, Jan. 18 collection moves to
Tuesday, Jan. 19,
in honor of
Martin Luther King Jr. Day.**

CURB STENCILING

Have your address professionally stenciled on to your curb in high contrast black and white. It looks great and makes your property easy to identify in case of an emergency. Simply drop or mail your \$20 check to EDHA, Attn: Stencil, 12606 Prima Vista, SA, TX 78233. (Please indicate for: "Stencil" on your check.)

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**Contact the editor at
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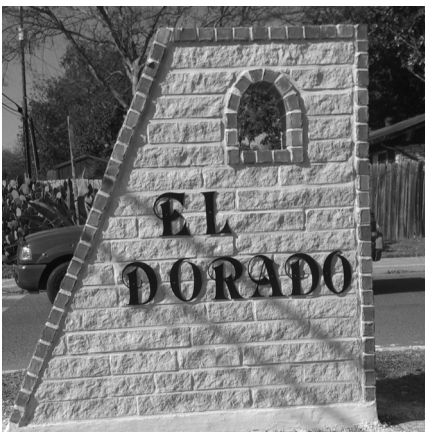
By Reinette King

Happy New Year, Special One!

We pray 2016 brings many wonderful opportunities to you and answers to prayers!

Many thanks to all the faithful members and volunteers who serve in every capacity around the neighborhood! Without you, it would be impossible to continue!

More members as well as more volunteers are needed in every area. If you like to help, but are not sure what to do, give me a call at 210-241-2683 and I will be happy to help you determine what area will be most fulfilling for you and your specific talents.



We are delighted to report that the entrance median on Leonhardt and El Sendero has been rebuilt with updated materials! It looks better than the previous one which was not maintenance free

and very labor intensive to repair. This happened as result of an automobile accident for which USAA paid for the damage to our property.

Good News! There will not be any late fees for membership dues in 2016! The General Membership fee is only \$90 for the 2016 and the Pool Membership fee is only \$175 for the year. The membership year runs from 1 May – 30 April. Feel free to mail in your membership with the form on the back of this Sunburst, or you could drop them in the mailbox at 12606 Prima Vista 78233.

Some people with delightful Christmas lighting could not be awarded any prize because their address was not visible at night. It is time to consider taking advantage of our in-house, professional-looking curb stenciling for only \$20. Feel free to include a check to EDHA for \$20 and specify "Curb Stencil" in the "For" block and mail or drop in the El Dorado mailbox.

Keep in mind for your next party that the Clubhouse rental is only \$200/day, a great bargain compared to other venues in the area. It is an attractive place, well furnished.

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May you prosper and be in health in 2016!

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Hours of Operation:

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Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



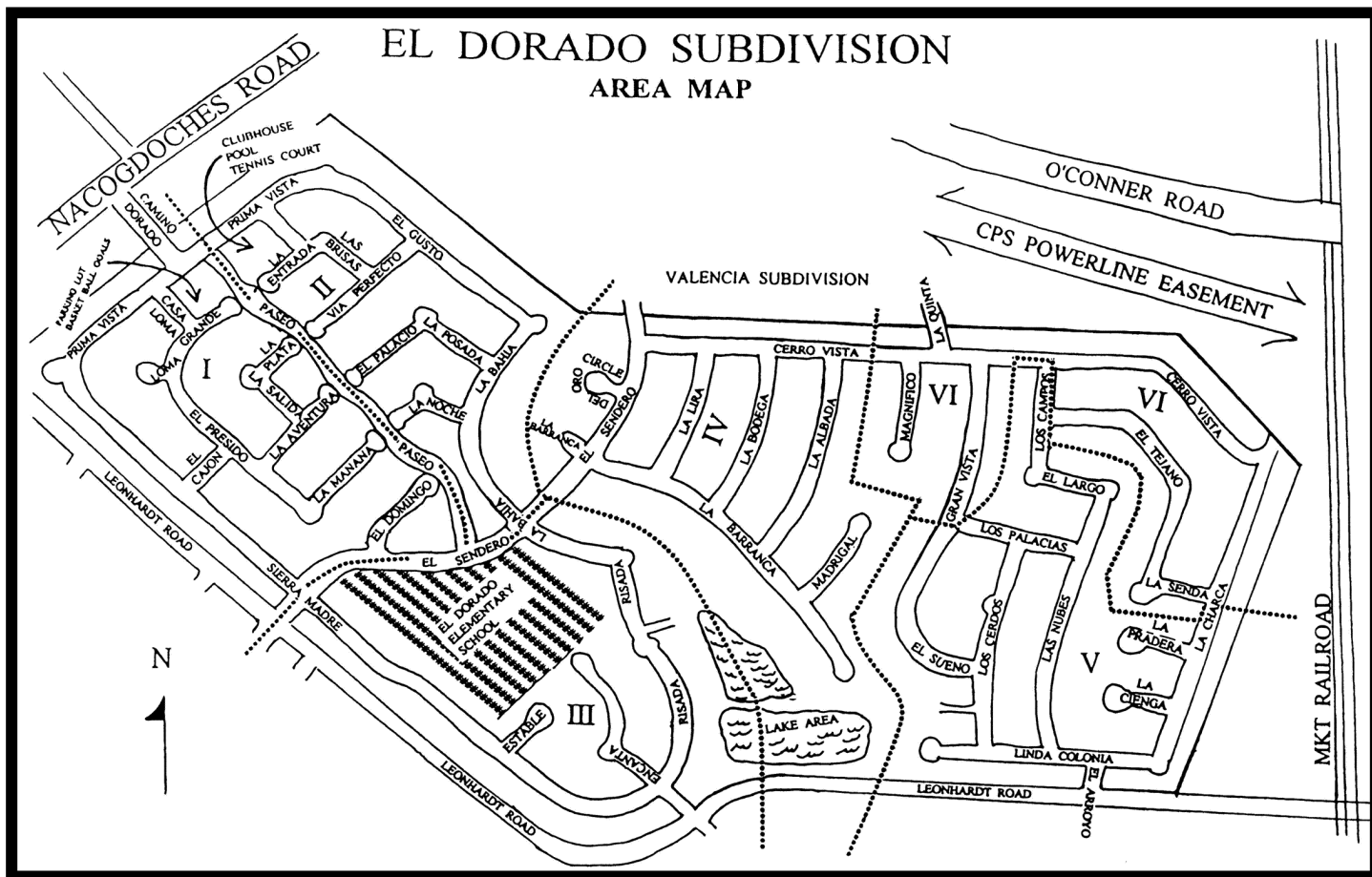
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Lake Cleanup is on!

Please join us on the 2nd. Saturday each month*
at 9a.m. until 11a.m. from November to April.

We start at the Risada side of the Lake at the Picnic Table and provide: work gloves, trash bags, water, camaraderie and infinite appreciation!

Meet your neighbors as we walk in grass, step in mud and enjoy a beautiful fall morning together. We will check on our new Ducks, see our Turtles, Cranes, Blue Herons and Egrets! Wear waterproof footwear if you can.

Bring the kids! Get them involved in the lake ecology *and* community service with this ***extremely necessary project***. It's up to us to keep our lake clean.

**weather permitting, no rain dates.*




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Recycle Your Christmas Tree

January 2 & 3 and 9 & 10
8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

After the holidays, recycle your Christmas tree into nutrient-rich mulch for FREE by bringing it to one of the drop-off locations throughout the city.

Location	Address
Beard Elementary School	8725 Sonoma Pkwy, 78023
Frank Garrett Community Center	1226 NW 18TH St, 78207
Cooper Academy	1700 Tampico, 78207
Rusty Lions Sports Center	6300 McCullough, 78212
Bitters Brush Recycling Center	1800 Bitters Rd, 78216
Copernicus Park	5003 Lord Rd, 78220
Southeast District Center	7402 S New Braunfels, 78223
Gilbert Ramirez Park	1011 Gillette Blvd, 78224
Southside Drop-Off Center	5450 Castrolville Rd, 78227
Northeast District Center	10303 Tool Yard, 78233
Northwest District Center	6802 Culebra, 78238
Friesenhahn Park	15701 O'Conner Rd, 78247
Boone Elementary	6614 Spring Time, 78249
Nelson Gardens Recycling Center	8963 Nelson Rd, 78252
Stevenson Middle School	8403 Tezel Rd, 78254
Eisenhower Park	19399 NW Military Hwy, 78257
Stone Oak Park	20395 Stone Oak Pkwy, 78258

*Bitters & Nelson Gardens Brush Recycling Centers will accept Christmas trees for free throughout the month of January. Mulch will be available for free at all locations, while supplies last.

 CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
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Thousand Oaks Branch Library
January 2016
4618 Thousand Oaks Dr.
207-9190



Hours of Operation

Mon. & Wed. 12-8p

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

January 7th (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.

January 14th (Thursday)

4:00p-5:00p Tween Time

Bring your friends and hang out for some interactive fun

at the library. No desks. No tests. Just fun!

Exclusively for nine to twelve year olds.

Wednesdays (Jan. 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th)

5:00p Teen Time

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

Thursdays (Jan. 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th)

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.

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.
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<http://www.sanantonio.gov/council/d10>

SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, January 4th, 2016
7:00 p.m. at the El Dorado Club House

THE FUTURE OF OUR POOL **IS IN JEOPARDY!**

Please join us to discuss the future of the El Dorado pool. The cost to maintain it is our biggest expense. We need several thousands of dollars for improvements and updates and the funds are just not there. The suggestion to close it down and fill it in like our neighbors did in Valencia came up, which prompted this meeting.

Let's meet and go over the problems and brainstorm solutions on what we can do to keep the pool in operation and raise the funds needed for the necessary updates. Hope to see you there.

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Shaved Ice
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Breakfast With Santa

Do you remember smiling so much your cheeks hurt?

This is how to sum up what Breakfast with Santa & Mrs. Claus was like. It was all about the children, but that didn't stop the adults from enjoying it just as much.

Anticipating Santa's arrival, we were busy eating donuts, sipping hot cocoa (Thank you to Santa's helpers), meeting more neighbors and admiring the creativity of outfits A-Z, including pajamas & elf costumes.

The kids were making ornaments and other holiday decorations at the crafts table graciously provided by our friends Sheila & Deborah from our neighboring Valencia Homes area!

Pictures were taken. Video cameras whirled & laughter filled the Club House. Santa's Reindeer Scout 'Tank' even made an appearance.

Then...The Main Event of the arrival of Santa & Mrs. Claus! Squeals & giggles filled the room and "Ho-Ho-Ho's" echoed everywhere!

The meetings with Santa were adorable, which doesn't come anywhere CLOSE to describing how precious this event was.

Santa & Mrs. Claus made this morning so endearing and ended every session trading

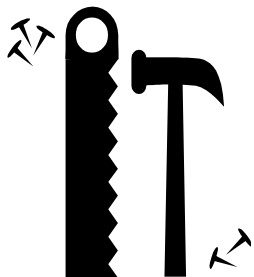


candy canes for hugs. It was the true Spirit of Christmas.

Thank you El Dorado & Valencia Homes Associations for reminding us what the spirit of the season is all about!

If you didn't have the opportunity to join us this time, please plan on next year! It was truly a magical morning...and our cheeks STILL hurt from smiling.

-Suzanne Wayne



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- to exercise, to get sunshine & vitamin D
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- to help the environment (no pesticides)
- to boost the immune system by digging in the soil
- to teach children where produce comes from and how to grow their own food
- to grow your own food and nourish your body with vegetables, herbs, fruits, and nuts direct from your community garden

"If kids plant kale, kids eat kale." - Ron Finley (Look up his TED talk if you don't know who he is. We, as a nation, are sicker than we have ever been, and it is largely due to the *food-like substances* we eat every day. It's time to get back to food the way nature intended it to be - fresh, whole, alive. Because real food doesn't have ingredients, real food *IS* ingredients. Are you with me!? All are welcome.

If you're interested in joining - really, anyone who eats should be - call or email today. We need you now! Danielle 210-380-2473 or info@seriousmedia.net or Zanel 210-425-5840 or zarielylizmaria@gmail.com. Together, we can take charge of our wellness and bring awareness - and food - to our 'hood and families. Peace!



2016
EL DORADO HOMES ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP FORM



Due Date May 1, 2016

*Your information below will **not** be shared outside EDHA, and is important to credit your membership, and keep our database accurate if we need to contact you with important EDHA news and events.*

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Spouse: _____ Telephone: _____

Street Address: _____

Email Address: _____

For POOL MEMBERSHIP, please provide OTHER HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS AT THIS ADDRESS, and children's ages:

☐ **General Maintenance Fee \$90.00**

☐ **Full Pool Membership/Maintenance \$175.00**

(Either payment may be split into 4 payments, **but must be paid in full prior to use of facilities.**)

Please return with payment to:
El Dorado Homes Association (EDHA)
12606 Prima Vista
San Antonio, TX 78233

I have read and understand the pool rules, and acknowledge that failure by me, my family members or my guests to follow these rules may result in suspension of pool use. I understand that EDHA is not responsible for any injury or accident incurred by anyone inside the pool area, and I hereby absolve EDHA and its officers of any liability. I have listed all family members who reside at my address.

Signed

Date