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6—NEISD Last Day of School

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# PRESIDENT'S LETTER

# By Ezra Johnson

Hello Neighbors,

I often get asked, "What does El Dorado Homes Association actually do for the neighborhood"? One of the things we do is manage and care for the 14-acre El Dorado Lake property that lies between La Barranca and Risada Streets. Please take advantage of this unique neighborhood amenity. It's a great place to take your dog for a walk or to have a picnic with your family. It is there for all of El Dorado to enjoy. If you would like to see additional improvements to the lake area, such as additional picnic tables and barbecue pits, please consider becoming a contributing member of EDHA. There is a membership form in the middle of this month's edition of the Sunburst. Please fill it out and send it back to us.

We keep the signs, entries and the Paseo cleaned and maintained. If you would like to see additional landscaping and beautification of our signs and entranceways, please consider becoming a contributing member of EDHA. There is a membership form in the middle of this month's edition of the Sunburst. Please fill it out and send it back to us.

Another thing EDHA does is publish and distribute the Sunburst. At any given time, there are about 60 people involved with the writing, publishing, printing and distributing the Sunburst to all 750 homes in El Dorado. But we can always use more help. If you would like to volunteer to help write articles or help distribute the Sunburst to your neighbors or on your street, please send an email to <a href="mailto:edhasunburst@gmail.com">edhasunburst@gmail.com</a>. It costs EDHA about \$5000 per year to publish the Sunburst, so if you would like to keep seeing it at your doorstep please consider becoming a contributing member of EDHA. There is a membership form in the middle of this month's edition of the Sunburst. Please fill it out and send it back to us.

We also maintain, staff and operate the El Dorado Pool. We get so many compliments from residents who tell us that they wish that they had joined the pool sooner. We'd like to add more lounge chairs and expand our hours of operation. You can help make that happen if you become a Full Member of EDHA. There is a membership form in the middle of this month's edition of the Sunburst. Please fill it out and send it back to us.

Once again we did not raise you membership fees for next year. The EDHA Board decided that we were going to try to encourage more people to sign up rather than continue to increase fees on our existing members. There is a lot more we would like to be doing for you. But we need your help to make it happen. Please consider becoming a contributing member of EDHA and, well, you know the rest.

Sincerely,

Ezra

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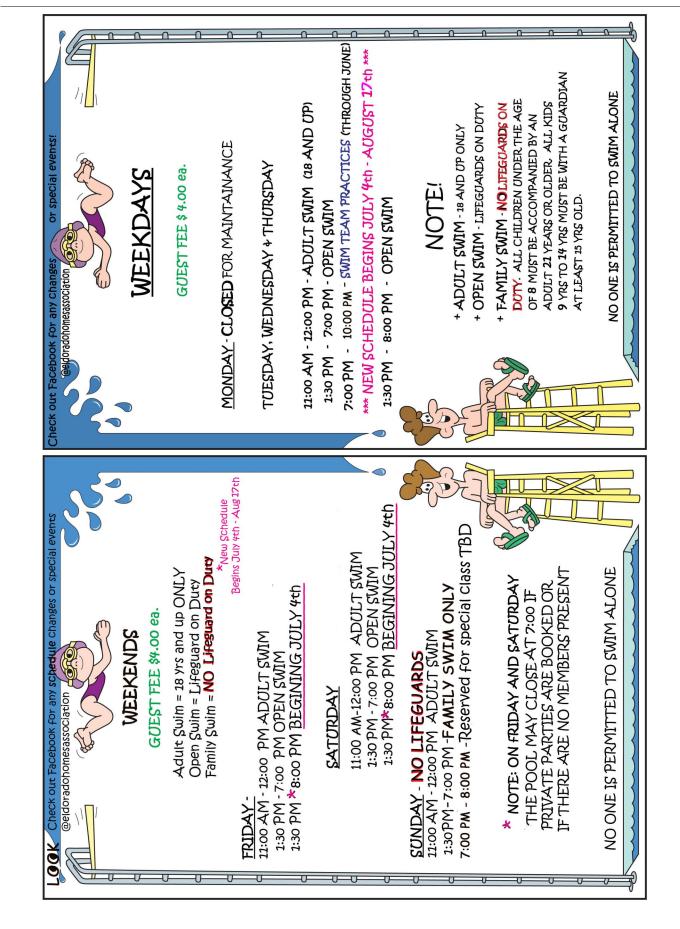
Thank you to those who joined the El Dorado Homes Association! Because of your contributions we can better maintain our neighborhood amenities.

It's not too late if you have not yet joined. Just fill in the membership form below and send it and the check to the address mentioned.

# 2019 EL DORADO HOMES ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM Please return by May 1, 2019 Your information below will not be shared outside EDHA, but is important to credit your membership, and keep our directory accurate. It will also help us if we need to contact you with important EDHA news and events. \_\_\_\_ First Name: Last Name: Telephone: Street Address: Email Address: PLEASE CHECK WHETHER YOU ARE PAYING FOR GENERAL OR FULL POOL: ☐ General Membership/Maintenance Fee ☐ Full Pool Membership/Maintenance Fee \$175.00 If you are paying for a **POOL MEMBERSHIP**, please provide OTHER HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS AT THIS ADDRESS, and children's ages: Also, if you are going to be a pool member, please read and sign the following: 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. Date: Note: If you DO NOT want your name published in the Sunburst (as a paid members), please initial here \_ (Either membership fee may be split into 4 payments, but must be paid in full prior to use of facilities.) Please return this form with payment (cash or check) to: **El Dorado Homes Association** 12606 Prima Vista San Antonio, TX 78233

You can now pay your membership fees online with PayPal!

Send PayPal payments to ElDoSub@gmail.com
Please also separately e-mail this form to the same e-mail address if you use PayPal



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# **El Dorado Community Pool**



The El Dorado Stingrays Swim Team will be hosting two Home swim meets on **Saturday mornings June 1**<sup>st</sup> and June 8<sup>th</sup>. **Meets start at 9:00 A.M**. Breakfast concessions like fruit, tacos, donuts, and more will be sold. Come out and support your neighborhood swimmers! It's kid friendly and **FREE!** Bring a towel or chair to sit on and bring your OUTSIDE voice!

**GO STINGRAYS GO!** 

#### **El Dorado Clubhouse**

### The El Dorado Clubhouse is up for rent!

This is a reminder that our beautiful clubhouse is up for rent for all your events and special occasions. Please tell your friends and family as well, after all the more we rent out the Clubhouse the more we will be able to do in the community. For rates and availability please contact one of our Clubhouse Co-chairs.

#### Please Join Valencia/El Dorado on NextDoor.com.

EDHA will continue to publish the Sunburst, but NextDoor.com is a great way to communicate with your neighbors in El Dorado and around north east san Antonio. EDHA often makes posts about our upcoming events and city and county offices often post public service announcements. The Express News also posts many free articles of interest to San Antonio residents.

Did you know that you can download NextDoor.com as an app on your smartphone? It's easy to set up an account once you download the app from your preferred provider.

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# **El Dorado Community Garden**

Mulch is a natural way to enhance organic matter and retain moisture in urban soils. Mulch is available in both organic and inorganic forms, and it comes in different shapes and sizes.

Most people think of mulches as raw or partially decomposed pieces of wood or bark. While this is true, mulches also may consist of black plastic, straw, pine needles, pecan shells and decomposed granite.

All mulches reduce soil moisture loss, but the organic varieties add carbon to the soil. Carbon is the energy food for all micro and macro organisms living in the soil and essential for the health of the environment.

Inorganic mulches like decomposed and rolled granite are added to the landscape with the assumption they facilitate drainage for xeric plants or reduce maintenance. But that is not really true. They seldom provide any nutritional benefit and actually increase urban heat, flooding, and maintenance so inorganic mulches are rarely recommended.

Organic mulches:

- Hardwood chips or shreds
- Bark chips or shreds
- Pecan shells
- Straw
- Pine Needles

Inorganic mulches:

- Rock of various sizes
- Decomposed granite
- Rubber chips
- Black plastic

Mulch also reduces soil temperature which facilitates root growth and inhibits weed germination.

-- Garden Style, San Antonio San Antonio Water System



#### A Word From Your Editor

Hello Neighbors,

I have recently accepted the task of Sunburst Editor. We will run an email version of the Sunburst through the summer this year. Please check your email. We welcome contributions to the neighborhood newsletter. We are looking for businesses to purchase ads in our newsletter to offset the cost of printing. Our newsletter hits over 700 doorsteps every month. It's a great way to get your business seen at a reasonable cost.

Nora L. Chavez

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# Nix Excuses

# Meal Planning

March 2, 2012 Lisa

Cooking for a large family can seem daunting and at times overwhelming. As a wife and/or mother, the day to day chores, errands and appointments can become monotonously boring which can make us unmotivated and even fed up with cooking. However, if you plan your day along the meals for either the week or a month ~ cooking can be easier and even enjoyable.

How many of you are "what is for dinner tonight" cooks? Do you open the fridge and/or freezer after school pick up or even an hour before meal times? Do you spend 10 minutes (of precious ~ but wasted time) staring into the abyss trying to plan your evening meal in the space of 1 hour or less? Perhaps by the time you have worked out what you are making, you end up throwing something bland and dull together and maybe wish you had just ordered takeaway!

The above can be avoided if you plan ahead. One way to begin is to have a Meal Menu Planner.

If you are a weekly shopper, a Menu Planner would be very helpful. By planning your meals weekly, purchasing meat and veg can be made easier as food is purchased according to your menu planner.

If I have something particular on a day where I won't be home to prepare my evening meal, I make sure I allocate a meal to that day that is easy, e.g. a crock-pot meal (which can be done quickly of a morning) or something pre-made that has been frozen ~ Lasagna.

Of course, things can change from day to day too (as does with a busy household and lots of kids), however by having planned meals, it's easy to just swap a meal around here and there on the calendar.

If you still seem overwhelmed; here are some simple tips on getting the home in order.

When preparing your evening meal. Don't leave it to the last minute as I mentioned above. Make sure the meat (or prepared frozen meal) is taken out the night or day before and thawed. Some crock-pot meals can also be prepared in the crock-pot and put in the fridge the night before too. Hence all that is needed is inserting the bowl and switching on the machine first thing in the morning.

Prepare your evening meal mid-morning or around lunch time. This way there is only one clean up time during the day after cooking. I tend to do our family meals as soon as I get home from the school drop off in the morning.

It is near impossible to cook dinner during this chaotic period of the day when you have tend to children's homework, questions, pleas of hunger, sulking, fighting, crying arguing.... etc.

Seriously who wants to cook under these conditions? If there is a show of hands and some of you nodded to this question; then meal planning is definitely for you.

http://noexcuseseasyorganising.com/meal-planning/

Posted by: Nora Chavez

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# **Community Announcements**

#### **Healthy Summer Meals for Kids!**

Free meals for children up to age 19, no ID or income requirements. Most programs begin in June. El Dorado Elementary usually participates.

Please visit <a href="http://www.squaremeals.org/Programs/">http://www.squaremeals.org/Programs/</a> SummerFeedingPrograms/SummerFeedingInteractiveMap.aspx for more information.

#### Join us on Facebook!

314 of your neighbors already follow EDHA on Facebook. Go to your search window on Facebook and look for El Dorado Homes Association and click "Like". EDHA often makes posts our upcoming events on Facebook, so this is a great way to keep up with your neighbors



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Past copies of the Sunburst are available at Neighborhoodlink.com If you would like to go back and read past copies of the Sunburst, you can find them at <a href="www.neighborhoodlink.com/El\_Dorado/newsletters">www.neighborhoodlink.com/El\_Dorado/newsletters</a>. You can download just about every edition of the Sunburst since April 2009. We will continue to post each new edition at this link, in addition to the hard copy delivered to your door each month. The link will be moving soon, so keep an eye out for the next announcement.



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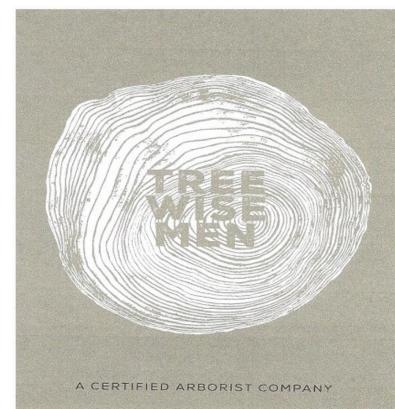
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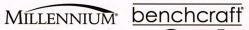




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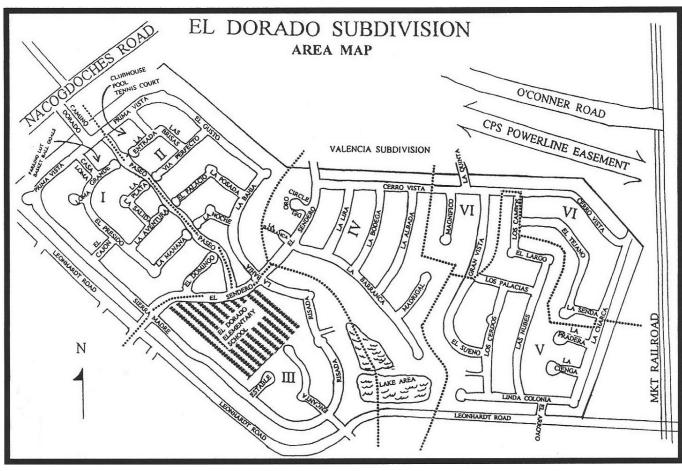


#### When are They Going to Fix My Street?

The San Antonio City Council recently approved the 2018 city budget using the "equity lens" proposed by Mayor Nirenberg and implemented by City Manager Scully. As part of this new budget allocation, District 10 received additional money over and above its usual allotment for road repairs. This allowed our council office to request that certain roads be moved up on the repair schedule. Most of El Dorado was originally included in the 2022-2025 maintenance window, but about seventy five percent of our streets are now in the 2018-2021 cycle.

Because other projects have been moved forward due to the increased funding in the equity lense budget, the following El Dorado streets are now slated for repaving in 2019: Camino Dorado, Casa Loma, El Gusto, El Presidio, La Aventura, and Risada. For 2020, we have: Del Oro Circle, El Cajon, El Domingo, El Sendero, Estable, La Bahia, La Barranca, La Entrada, La Noche, La Plata, La Posada, La Salida, Las Brisas, Loma Grande, Prima Vista, Sierra Madre, and Via Perfecto. In 2021, the following streets will be repaved: El Arroyo, El Sueno, Encanta, Gran Vista, La Charca, La Cienga, La Manana, Las Nubes, Linda Colonia, Los Cerdos, and Los Palacias. All of our other streets will remain on the 2022-2025 schedule: Cerro Vista, El Largo, El Palacio, El Tejano, La Albada, La Bodega, La Lira, La Pradera, La Senda, Los Campos, Madrigal, and Magnifico.

The EDHA Board is working with representatives of the Councilman's office and TCI to try to move Prima Vista into the 2019 program. Please let your area representative know if you have any questions.



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# July 4th Parade & Pool Schedule

9 am Parade starts from the pool\*

\*starting from the pool parking lot, proceeding down Prima Vista, El Gusto, La Bahia, Risada, and Sierra Madre to El Sendero and end at El Dorado Elementary

Prizes awarded for best decorated floats, pets and person!

Popsicles and horse rides for kids at the end of parade route

Volleyball and family fun at the pool!

1 pm Pool opens (Grills available to share)

2pm First pool game

4pm Second pool game

6pm Third pool game

8pm Pool closes