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El Dorado Homes Association

Member Appreciation BBQ

Monday, September 2, 2109

1 pm—6 pm

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EDHA MEETING

Monday,
September 9, 2019

7:00 PM

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

By Ezra Johnson

Hello Neighbors,

Our Member Appreciation Party is coming up soon. We will be showing our appreciation for all El Dorado Homes Association members on Labor Day from 1-6pm at the Pool. All members are welcome to enjoy the pool before the season comes to an end. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be served from 1-3pm. Guest fees will be \$5. We will be accepting membership applications at the party, so its never too late to become a member. I hope to see you there.

El Dorado Homes is also launching a new fundraiser to start raising money to repair the pool. Thanks to the generosity of Kurt Schaffer and Conrad Boeck, we will be raffling a brand new Craftsman 21-inch lawnmower. Second prize is a 2020 Full EDHA membership for the pool. Tickets are \$5 each. You do not have to be a member to win. There is a raffle ticket included with this edition of the Sunburst. Cut it out and place it in an envelope with your \$5 and mail it to EDHA at 12606 Prima Vista. You can also hand in your ticket and \$5 to any board member. We will be selling tickets at the Membership Appreciation Party. Drawing for the Raffle will be at our EDHA General Meeting on October 14, 2019. You do not have to be present to win.

See you soon,

Ezra

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Thank you!

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

*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.*

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Spouse: _____ Telephone: _____

Street Address: _____

Email Address: _____

General Membership/Maintenance Fee \$90.00

Note: If you **DO NOT** want your name published in the Sunburst (as a paid members), please initial here _____

Please return this form with payment (cash or check) to:

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San Antonio, TX 78233

You can now pay your membership fees online with PayPal!

Send PayPal payments to ElDoSub@gmail.com

2019 POOL SEASON COMING TO AN END



It's hard to believe winter is right around the corner and pool season will be coming to an end. We truly hope you've enjoyed your summer at the pool.

As the school year approaches we will be closing on weekdays starting the first day of school, August 19th, 2019. BUT... we will be open on weekends, Saturday and Sunday 1:30PM – 7:00 PM.

Saturday having Lifeguards on duty and Sunday Family Swim Only.
(No lifeguards on Duty).

**We will be open on Monday, September 2nd for Labor Day/
Membership Appreciation party.**

PLEASE SEE FLYER FOR DETAILS.

El Dorado Community Pool

Labor Day is the last day the pool will be open. The pool is still available for parties through September. May you have a wonderful winter season and we'll see you at the pool next year on April 26th, 2020 for our Ice Cream Social/Membership Drive/Stingray Swim Team registration and the official first dip in the pool!

If you are interested in being on the pool committee for 2020, please call or text Pool Co-Chairpersons: Sandra 210-725-8549 or Kelly 210-846-7777.

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.

El Dorado Community Garden

After a grueling summer, mulch is the perfect topper for your tired landscape.

At its best, mulch provides nutrients — especially carbon, nature's workhorse — to the soil. It also increases soil structure, reduces soil moisture loss, reduces soil temperatures and reduces plant competition so roots can grow quickly and farther.

Mulch is the general term for two types of products: inorganic and organic mulch.

Inorganic products include decomposed granite, small river rock, rubber pellets and black plastic. Although they reduce soil moisture loss and temperatures beneath the soil surface, they hardly provide any environmental benefits. Certainly, river rock absorbs heat during the day and creates mini-heat islands next to the house during the night. Yikes! As if we don't have enough heat at night during July and August.

On the other hand, organic mulches such as woodchips, pine bark, pecan shell, pine needles, straw and live oak leaves provide carbon and nitrogen as well as reduce moisture loss, soil temperatures and plant competition. Conversely, they do not absorb heat during the day.

The depth of application for all mulches is 1-2 inches. Ideally, we first apply ½ inch of quality compost and then add ½ to 1 inch of mulch. This is exactly like nature does it and one can't improve upon nature. When more than 2 inches are applied, we run the risk of watering the mulch and not the soil.

<https://www.gardenstylesanantonio.com/garden-tips-blog/mulch-in-september/>

A Word From Your Editor

Hello Neighbors,

I am always looking for input for the Sunburst. Do you have something that might make a good contributions to our next newsletter? Does your committee have a special event? Award recognitions? Public Notices? Please send a blurb to me at ElDoSub@gmail.com

Nora L. Chavez

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Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Satur-

Thousand Oaks Branch Library

September 2019



****All libraries will be closed on Monday, September 2, in observance of Labor Day.****

Wednesdays, September 4, 11, 18, 25, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Teen Time

Wednesday nights belong to the teen! Join us for fun, food, board games, video games, crafts, conversation, laughs, and more. Teens 13-18 years only, please.

Thursdays, September 5, 12, 19, 26, 10:30 am – 11:15 am

Toddler Time

Toddlers actively participate in stories, music, and movement, enhancing their social, emotional and language development. Recommended for children 18 to 36 months.

Thursdays, September 5, 12, 19, 26, 11:20 am – 12:00 pm

Story Time

Preschoolers enjoy stories and songs that develop early literacy skills and foster curiosity. Recommended for three to five year olds.

Fridays, September 6, 13, 20, 27, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Family Fun Fridays

Families, join us each week for stories, crafts, and activities, all designed for school-age kids.

Monday, September 9, 6:00 pm

Citizenship Info Workshop

American Gateways presents a citizenship information session to introduce you to the process of becoming a US citizen.

Sunday, September 15, 3:00 pm

Sunday Crafternoon: Calaveras

It's craft time – for Adults! This month we will be making Calaveras, in sugar and felt.

Thursday, September 19, 2:00 pm

Thursday Book Group

Read and discuss *The Invention of Wings*, by Sue Monk Kidd. Copies are available at the Reference Desk.

Sunday, September 22, 3:00 pm

Folded Paper Flowers

We will make flowers out of recycled book pages. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Saturday, September 28, 1:30 pm

TamboRhythms

TamboRhythms is all about drums--and drums are all about the beat! Join Jorge Ochoa in his loud and rowdy drum circle. Children of all ages and their adults are welcome.

Please call the library for details on any of the listed programs and/or events.

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Sunday, September 15, 3:00 PM

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Nix Excuses

20 Excuses Most People Make That Stop Them From Reaching Their Dreams

Onder Hassan

Have you ever said or done something that stopped and discouraged you from taking action toward your goals?

Excuses and negative self talk are common problems and are what usually stops most of us from fulfilling our dreams. But they aren't apparent until we become conscious of them. And it's not until you become conscious of them that you can start to begin changing them to help you move forward.

Here are 20 of the most common excuses people use that stop them from reaching their dreams:

- 1. I'm too old to start.** As long as you're still living and breathing, you still have all the resources to turn your life around. All it takes is will and desire.
- 2. I'm not talented enough.** Talent alone isn't enough to be truly successful. It might help you progress faster, but ultimately, all it requires is hard work and dedication to improve.
- 3. I wasn't born in the right area.** Your environment may have influenced the way you've been fostered, but that doesn't mean you can't decide to change your attitude. You are in control of what you choose to think and feel about yourself.
- 4. I come from a poor background.** Some of the most successful people got there with little but a few dollars in their pocket. Money may help you reach your goals faster, but the real value is your inner resources and resourcefulness to get the job done.
- 5. I'm not smart enough.** Don't despair if you feel you lack the knowledge to pursue your goals. There is a good reason why you lack the knowledge—you're just starting! The key to learning is to start from somewhere and make progress.
- 6. I don't have the support.** While having the support is beneficial, it will not be the reason for your success and is simply ideal for getting you through hard times. The biggest things that matter in your journey toward success and achievement is your drive and motivation.
- 7. I don't have enough time to discover what I like.** If you sit down and make a list of all the things you do in a typical day, you'll begin to realize that you actually have enough time. Figure out what is wasting your time, and replace it with the things that will get you to your goals.
- 8. My family and friends don't think I'm capable.** No one can tell you how capable you really are besides yourself. You are the driving force between where you are and where you want to be.

9. I don't know if I will succeed. The greatest mystery about life is in not knowing what's going to happen. Sometimes, your journey will take you on roads you never thought existed.

10. I've already dedicated myself to a different path. It is never too late to change paths. Just because you're on one road doesn't mean you can't take a different path and pursue a different journey.

11. I'm just not lucky enough. All of us are lucky all of the time. The difference is, you just don't see the opportunities presented to you due to lack of preparation. Focus on preparing yourself for them, so when an opportunity comes, you naturally will become luckier.

12. I didn't have the right teachers. There really aren't many things in this world that you can't teach yourself. There is free and useful information you have access to at your fingertips that will give you the instructions you need to get started.

13. I'm not destined to succeed. Everything that ultimately happens in your life is all due, in part, to the decisions you make. If that's your current belief about yourself then, chances are, you're right.

14. I'm not motivated enough. If you lack the drive to do whatever it is you hope to do, there's a chance you don't want it badly enough or see it as something you really want.

15. I'm too easily distracted by other things. There are always going to be things around us that are more fun and exciting to do. But the key thing is to be disciplined and to dedicate a certain period of your time to help move you forward toward your goals.

16. I'm not educated enough. Education isn't necessarily something you have to learn at school. You can never have enough education to get started. If you're unsure, just take action anyway and learn along the way. Experience always will be the best educator.

17. I can't handle failure. If that's your belief, then it's a lie. We are rejected every day of our lives, but we fail to see the rejections because we don't choose to acknowledge them. Learn to detach yourself from outcomes and to see the process as journey of self-discovery.

18. I will start tomorrow. There is no such as a future, only the present. If you genuinely have the time to do something now, then use the opportunity and go and do it. You will feel a lot more energized and motivated, knowing you've pushed yourself and made progress.

19. I'm not ready. You can never be prepared to get started. If it means learning more will prevent you from failure, then you're wrong. You will make mistakes and simply learning more will fool you into thinking you're making progress, when in fact it's simply a buffer from taking action.

20. I don't believe I can do it. As with point No. 14, your beliefs help steer and guide you toward your goals. If you honestly believe with full conviction that you can do it, you will start to see that everything around you becomes easier. The quality environment is dictated by the things inside you.

Now, stop making excuses that keep you from reaching your dreams. Go forth and prosper!

Posted by: Nora L. Chavez

<https://www.lifehack.org/articles/communication/20-excuses-most-people-make-that-stop-them-from-reaching-their-dreams.html>

As students head back to school, it's particularly important to obey traffic laws and drive safely in school zones. School zones are put in place to ensure the safety of children in and around schools. While class is in session, drivers are responsible for maintaining safety and awareness on the streets surrounding schools. All children should be able to walk or bike to and from class without fear of being hit by passing vehicles.

If you drive to school, through a school zone or in neighborhoods near a school, follow these safety tips to keep all students safe this year:



- Obey the speed limit in all school zones.
- Cell phones are prohibited in active school zones.
- Be patient during drop-off and pick-up if you drive your student to school or drive near a school. The roadways surrounding schools are congested during these times.
- Yield to pedestrians at all intersections, whether marked with a crosswalk or not, it's the law.
- Look both ways for pedestrians and bicyclists when turning right on a red light.
- Be aware of students where there are no sidewalks along the road and when backing out of driveways.
- Watch for younger and less predictable children who may dart into the road.
- Stop and wait for school buses when red lights are flashing.

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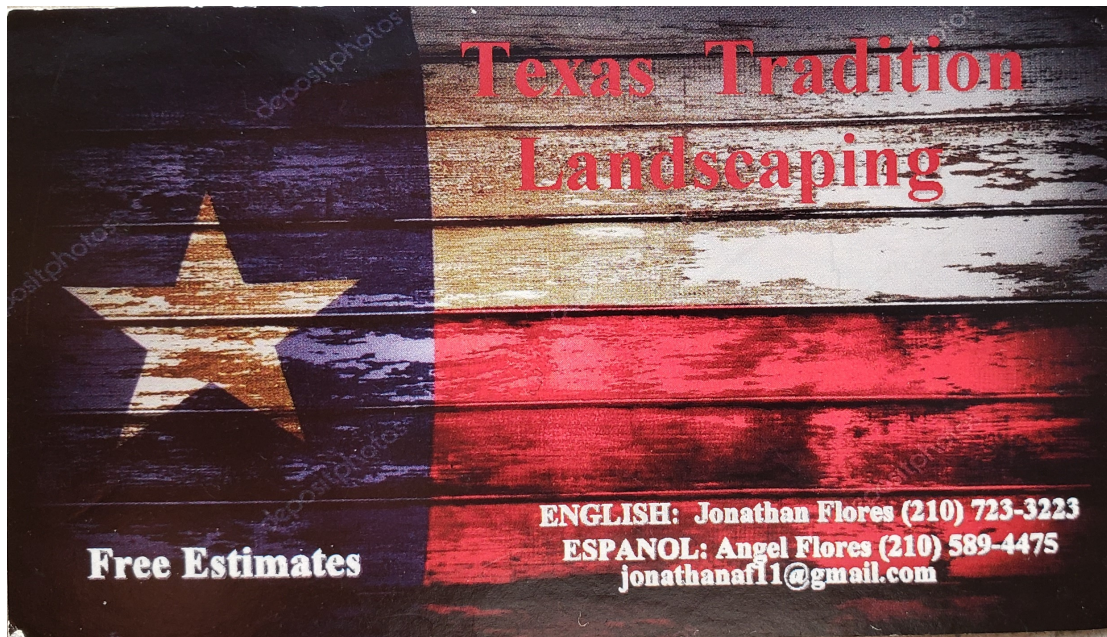
October 5—COP training (<https://www.sanantonio.gov/SAPD/Cellular-On-Patrol>)

October 14—Columbus Day

October 14—Annual EDHA Election

October 27—Navy Day

October 31—Halloween



2019 EL DORADO RAFFLE TICKET

1ST PRIZE - CRAFTSMAN 21" LAWNMOWER 2ND PRIZE - EDHA FULL 2020-2021 MEMBERSHIP

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Community Announcements

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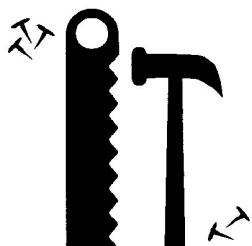
314 of your neighbors already follow EDHA on Facebook. Go to your search window on Facebook and look for El Dorado Homes Association and click "Like". EDHA often makes posts our upcoming events on Facebook, so this is a great way to keep up with your neighbors



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Mail you check (payable to EDHA) to : EDHA, Attention Sunburst, 12606 Prima Vista, S.A, TX 78233 and email your ready to print ad to edhasunburst@gmail.com. Some fonts are unavailable and may need to be changed. Payment and ad must both be received no later than the 15th of the month prior to the desired issue.

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Through the app, citizens are able to flag (geo-locate a service request), attach a photo, and provide supporting information for issues throughout your community. The requests go straight to the appropriate City department for evaluation and investigation.

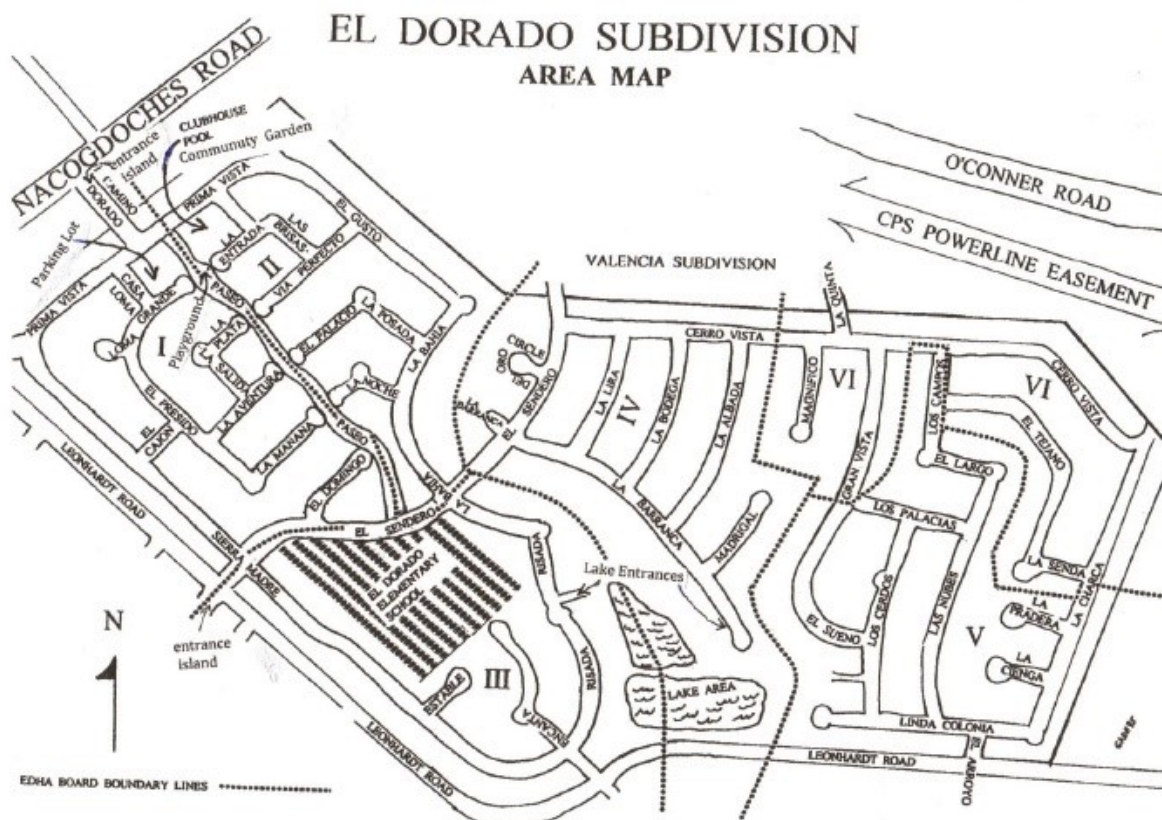
The 311SA Mobile App also has a social network feature, which allows sharing and voting on other users flags/requests.

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.



**MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION
and Labor Day
Pool Party
Monday, September 2nd, 2019**



1:00-6:00 pm

***Burgers, hotdogs, chips and Waters Provided by
El Dorado Board members and Committees members**

***FREE to Attend**

***All 2019 General and Full Members are invited**