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Monthly Newsletter of the Eldorado Community Improvement Association

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An Example for Us All

Dag Ryen, our Association president, was presented with a resolution commending his long hours of outstanding volunteer work during the ECIA Board's January meeting of this year.

As most of us who live in Eldorado may know, our Association has been without the services of a general manager since May of 2014. The job is not an easy one by any estimation. It involves developing and proposing a complex budget to the Board, supervising an administrative and maintenance staff, insuring that our many amenities are cared for at a high standard, and responding positively to the concerns and complaints of residents and to their suggestions for improvement. Dag has acted as our uncompensated volunteer general manager for eight months and, as the Board's resolution commending him for his service to us states, he has worked tirelessly with the Association's spark plugs, the ECIA committees . . . "to make our community unique among those of the State of New Mexico."

Dag's educational and career background is extensive and varied. He was born in Norway, left there as a young child, and emigrated to the United States. He graduated from Princeton University in 1967, did graduate work at George Washington University, and completed his master's degree in U.S. diplomatic history at the University of Kentucky in 1992. His Facebook page provides details regarding his love of the outdoors and his work to preserve and protect the environment as a member of the Sierra Club.

The Information Committee of our Association has been particularly helped by Dag, who attends its

meetings and offers advice from his wealth of experience in such jobs as the executive director of *State Government News*, a national magazine of the Council of State Governments. Fluent in his native language and a talented writer of English, he served as a foreign correspondent for the Norwegian News Service and was at the same time an editor in Oslo for the American news agency the Associated Press.

While back in the land of his birth and assigned as a writer and editor, Dag often visited the town in which he was born, Ringsaker, Norway. The mayor of Ringsaker, Ms. Anita Ihle Steen, who was advised that Dag would be receiving an award commending him for his exemplary work for our community, wrote the following in a letter to him. "As Mayor of Ringsaker it is an honor for me to congratulate you on your achievements in your work for the ECIA and the

community of Eldorado. I am told that you are a true champion of sustainable development and the values of easy access to nature. Maybe this love of the great outdoors was born during your childhood years here in Ringsaker?"

The ECIA's resolution commending Dag Ryen for his work for our community concludes with these words: "As a true Son of Norway and a proud citizen of the United States, his work brings great credit upon himself, the residents of Eldorado and the Association he held together during difficult times, The Eldorado Community Improvement Association."

We live in what may be one of the most unique and well-run communities in the USA. People like Dag Ryen help keep that belief alive.



*ECIA Board
Meeting,
Community
Center
Railroad Bldg.
Thurs.,
February 19,
7 PM*





*Share your
comments
with us!*

*For policy and
deadline, see
below*

Editorial Policy

Vistas welcomes your letters on ECIA issues and activities, as well as your ideas, stories, photos, and art. Please include full name and contact information. The newsletter will not publish material deemed inflammatory, biased, or inappropriate. Submissions will be selected and edited at the discretion of the editor. Community announcements are welcome as well, along with accompanying photos.

DEADLINE: Newsletter deadline is the 5th day of each month. Submissions can be dropped off or mailed to the ECIA office or e-mailed to DiAna@eldoradosf.org. Please include "Attn: Vistas" in your message.

Mission Statement

The mission of *Vistas*, the monthly newsletter of the ECIA, is to inform the Eldorado community about issues before the ECIA Board and the membership at large. By so doing, the publication seeks to foster increased neighborhood pride and community participation in the decision making process.

PODS in Eldorado

Over the past year, the ECIA has seen an increase in the number of PODS storage units arriving in Eldorado. Due to the fact that there is no direct reference to the use of PODS in the Eldorado Covenants or Guidelines, but their presence, like RVs, impacts the natural rural setting and vistas in Eldorado, the ECIA Board and staff have recently met to formulate some formal usage policies for PODS in Eldorado.

If a PODS unit is on the lot when a resident is moving into or out of a home, the ECIA requires that the container shall not remain on the lot for more than 14 days. This requirement is in keeping with Article II, Section 13, Paragraph B, of the Covenants, which is detailed as follows:

b) No vehicles not licensed for use on a public road, nor any type of earth moving equipment, nor any tractor-trailer or part thereof, nor similar large vehicles, inconsistent with single-family residential use, shall be parked, stored or repaired outside of a building on any lot provided; however, such vehicles may be parked temporarily on a lot for a period not exceeding two weeks. Construction trailers may be parked on a lot during the period of the construction or alteration of a dwelling house on a lot.

However, when a PODS unit is brought onto a lot during such circumstances as home renovation, water leakage, or fire damage and items must be stored in-

side the container for a limited time, PODS can remain on a lot for as long as 60 days, provided the resident contacts the ECIA to let us know why it is on the lot and when it will be removed. In these cases, we ask that the container be placed on the lot in the most well-screened location possible while still remaining accessible.



If for some reason the POD unit cannot be removed within the required 60-day period, the ECIA requires that a written request to keep the container on the lot longer be sent to the ECIA; such requests will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

For any questions, please call me at the ECIA at 466-4248 or e-mail me at mark@eldoradosf.org.

—Mark Young, *Covenant Compliance Representative*
mark@eldoradosf.org, 466-4248

ECIA Board Nominating Petitions Due

Two Board of Director positions are open for election, with three-year terms that will expire in 2018. The Nomination Petition and its accompanying Information and Instructions Sheet are available online at eldoradosf.org, under the "Resident Resources" tab > "Forms and Applications," or at the ECIA office. The completed petition must be submitted to the Community Center office no later than 5 PM, Monday, March 2.

Petitions require 25 signatures of ECIA Members in Good Standing. This means that the signers must have paid their 2014 assessment and any other amounts owed as of the date they sign the peti-

tion. Prospective candidates must also be lot owners and Members in Good Standing (meaning that their account, including 2015 assessments, have been paid as of March 2).

Ballots will be mailed at the end of March. Any residents not current with their account as of March 2 (the official Member in Good Standing Date for 2015) will not receive an election ballot. The new directors' terms will begin on May 5, following the Annual Meeting on May 4, where election results will be announced.

We hope that you take this opportunity to play an active role in your community by running for office or simply by voting!



Message from the ECIA Board

The ECIA Board looks forward to a productive year as we enter into a partnership with the management company, HOAMCO. The company has designated its vice-president and director of New Mexico operations, **Paul Skojec**, as the interim general manager for Eldorado. HOAMCO is currently interviewing several candidates for the position as permanent GM. Finalists will be presented to the ECIA Board for approval. No general manager will be hired without the direct consent of our Board.

Mr. Skojec will be in the ECIA office on a regular basis beginning in February. An opportunity for Association members to meet with him informally will be scheduled sometime mid-month. Any questions that members might have about the transition may be directed to Board President **Dag Ryen** at dag.ryen@gmail.com.

With the New Mexico legislature in session, representatives of the Association will be meeting with

state and county officials to lobby for road improvement funding for Eldorado. Earlier efforts have resulted in approval for such projects as the recent paving of Herrada Road. The county has also set aside funding for upgrades to the multi-use trail running along Avenida Monte Alto from the school to the Community Center. Work on this project will begin as soon as the winter weather breaks.

This is also the season for Board elections in Eldorado. There will be two positions on the Board open in this year's elections. We encourage members to get involved in Association activities. Service on your Association Board can be a highly rewarding and stimulating experience. To run for the Board, candidates must get the signatures of at least 25 members in good standing. Nomination petitions are available at the office and online (www.eldoradosf.org) and must be returned by the close of business on March 2.

—ECIA Board of Directors

Recent Board Actions

The ECIA Board held its regular meeting on January 15, 2015, with all seven Board members present: **Dag Ryen** (President, presiding), **Pam Henline** (Vice President), **Todd Handy** (Treasurer), **Gershon Siegel** (Secretary), **Jeanne Calzada**, **Greg Colello**, and **David Yard**. The following formal action was taken unanimously, without the Chair voting:

▼ A specific fee was adopted for January of \$200 for supplying printed HOA disclosure documents (which may also be obtained free from the ECIA website) and \$200 for an HOA assessment certificate. After February 1, these will be obtained from HOAMCO, which also charges a fee (see p. 5 for notification). These documents are required for a sale and, in most cases, for a mortgage refinancing.

Board President **Dag Ryen** was recognized and thanked by a resolution of the Board for his extensive time spent as acting general manager from May 2014 through January 2015. **Frank Schober**, Information Committee Chair, also presented Dag with a letter of congratulation from the mayor of Ringsaker, Norway (Dag's birthplace) and a painting of St. Olaf, patron saint of Norway (see photo at right).

Regular Board meetings are scheduled on the third Thursday of each month at 7 PM at the Community Center and are open to the

public. An open forum and community announcements are normally included. Complete minutes and meeting agendas are available at the ECIA office and on the website: www.eldoradosf.org.

In addition, two informal (non-voting) Board working sessions are held in the Community Center Conference Room each month. Work Session 1 is held at 7 PM the first Thursday of each month, and Work Session 2 is held at 7 PM the Monday before the third Thursday of each month. ECIA members are welcome to attend, and may request to place, and speak on, particular items on the agenda by calling the ECIA office at 466-4248 72 hours in advance.



Frank Schober presents painting of St. Olaf to Dag Ryen.

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What Is This Little Building?

Residents driving down Avenida Eldorado during 2014 may have wondered about a new, small industrial-type building being constructed on the corner of Torreon. Wonder no more: It's a new booster station for the Eldorado Area Water and Sanitation District, replacing an older, inefficient, underground one, just across the street. The function of a booster station is to help distribute water throughout the district; this station will pump water from Wells 17 and 18 (the most productive wells) to tanks 1, 1A, and 3 in the most heavily used, higher-pressure zones.

The new booster station should be completed and operational by the time this issue reaches our readers. In addition to being more efficient and easier to maintain than the old station, it will allow EAWSD to meet peak demand, will add a second pump for redundancy, and will have an emergency generator so water can be distributed even in the event of a significant power outage.



PROTECT OUR NIGHT SKY

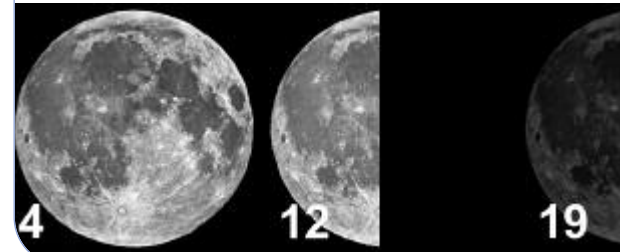
Lights left carelessly on may spoil the views of our night sky.

Reminder: If you haven't already done so, please take down your holiday lights.

Current ECIA staff:
Left to right: DiAna Gutierrez, Mark Young, Marilyn Farrell, Brian Bennett, Pete Martinez, and Karen Logan.
Photo: Jack Arnold



MOON PHASES FOR FEBRUARY



Out with the Old / Artwork on Offer

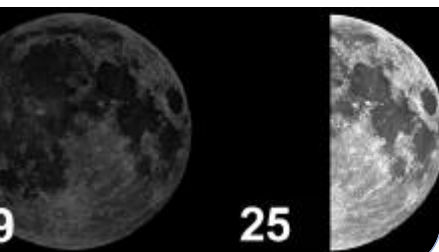
Participating members of the Eldorado Arts & Crafts Association would like to invite the community to "Out with the Old," a winter pop-up show. Around 20 EACA artists are holding the pop-up sale on Saturday, February 7, from 10 AM to 4 PM at the Eldorado Community Center. Artists are offering terrific bargains on fine-quality art and craft items, as a venue for Valentine's Day shopping. Original artwork will be found for 25% to 75% off original prices.

Time flies! Mark your calendars for EACA's Spring Tour, the weekend of May 16–17. This tour has become a signature event on Northern New Mexico's "really-should-do" calendar.

Support Groups for Caregivers

The Gloaming at Santa Fe offers free support groups in response to a need for caregiver support. Meetings are held at The Gloaming at Santa Fe (3 Caliente Rd, Ste. 6).

- Support Group for Caregivers with a Family Member Who Lives with Alzheimer's or Dementia: 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, from 9:30 to 11 AM.
- General Caregivers' Support Group, 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, from 5 to 6:30 PM. Email drkittyfallon@thegloamingatsantafe.com for more information.



FYI: Home Sale Fees

Local realtors and Eldoradoans who are selling a house should be apprised of HOAMCO's fee structure for Disclosure Certificates and/or Transfer of Title Fees for ECIA:

To avoid paying up-front fees, you may ask your title company to order the Disclosure Estoppel Certificate on your behalf, which includes both the HOA Disclosure Certificate and Status Letter for Transfer of Title. Fees will be collected and paid at the close of escrow: \$378 + \$21 + tax.

If ordered separately, the following fees must be paid up front and not at the time you close escrow: For Disclosure Certificate only: \$278 + \$21 + tax; for Status Letter only: \$100 + \$21 + tax. An update to the Status Letter will be provided for ECIA at no additional charge.

Additional Service Options: Rush orders will pay an additional \$50 fee + tax.

Changes Near You?

Have any of your neighbors submitted architectural modification plans to the ECIA for approval? What changes to the built landscape are being considered near you? Check out the Architecture Committee agenda at <http://tinyurl.com/ljdmreo> or the ECIA Board agenda at <http://tinyurl.com/lkxxdmw>.

February Events

Left out? Help us compile a comprehensive events listing.

Email marilyn@eldoradosf.org with your meeting/event information, or bring it to the ECIA office by the 3rd of the month for publication in the following month's Vistas. Please include "Attn: Vistas" and be sure to indicate:



1. **Type of Event**
2. **Location**
3. **Date & Time**

Photographs (digital or snapshots) are encouraged!

Note: All meetings are at the Community Center, unless otherwise noted.

LR=Living Room, F=Foyer, CFR=Conference Room, CR=Class Room, RR=Railroad, K=Kitchen

4. **A Resource Person** (one who can answer questions both about the event and the sponsoring organization) and his/her telephone number.

SPECIAL EVENTS

ECIA offices closed	Mon., Feb. 16	
TGIF	Fri., Feb. 20, 5-7 pm	LR

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Architecture Committee	Tues., Feb. 10, 7-9 pm	Mark Young	466-4248	Foyer
Architecture Committee	Tues., Feb. 24, 7-9 pm	Mark Young	466-4248	Foyer
Board Work Study	Thurs., Feb. 5, 7-9 pm	ECIA	466-4248	CFR
Board Work Study	Mon., Feb. 16, 7-9 pm	ECIA	466-4248	CFR
Conservation Committee	Tues., Feb. 3, 7-9 pm	Jim Daniel	609-941-4527	F
ECIA Board Meeting	Thurs., Feb. 19, 7-9 pm	ECIA	466-4248	RR
Election Committee	Wed., Feb. 11, 2-4 pm	Kathie Graham	466-2133	CFR
Facilities & Grounds	Wed., Feb. 4, 4-6 pm	John Calzada	466-1947	CFR
Finance Committee	Wed., Feb. 11, 9:30-11:30 am	Dan Drobnis	466-4781	CFR
Information Committee	Mon., Feb. 23, 7-9 pm	Frank Schober	310-8593	CFR
Road Committee	TBA	Felicia Probert	466-1563	CFR
Stable Committee	TBA	Alice Griffin	795-6424	CFR

MONTHLY / SEMI-MONTHLY MEETINGS

EAW&SD*	1st & 3rd Thurs., 7-9 pm	Anna Mondragon	466-1085	RR/CR
Eldorado Arts & Crafts	Last Thurs., of month	Barrie Brown	466-3035	CC
Eldorado Book Club	3rd Wed., 3:00 pm	Susan Aylward	shaylward@gmail.com	
Eldorado/285 Recycles	2nd Tues. of month, 4-6 pm	Karen Sweeney	466-9797	CFR
Library Book Group	2nd Sat., 9-10:30	Joan LaMarque	466-6000	CFR
Roadrunner RV	3rd Tues. of month	Pat Stewart	820-0303	
Search & Rescue	2nd Thurs., 7-9 pm	santafesar.org		CR

WEEKLY MEETINGS

AA	Tues., 5:45-6:45 pm			CFR/LR
AA	Thurs. 5:30-6:30 pm (Women Only)			CFR
AA	Fri., 6-7 pm			CFR/LR
AA	Sat., 10:45-11:45 am			CFR
AA	Sun., 5:15-6:15 pm			LR/CFR
Boy Scout Troop 414	Wed., 7-9 pm	Fritz Denny	466-4070	RR, CR, LR
Bridge	1st & 3rd Fri., 1-4:30 pm	Jackie Vaughn	466-2558	LR
Community Church**	Sun., 9:00 & 10:30 am	David McPherson	466-2495	La Tienda
Eldorado Hikers	Tues., 8:30 am	Terry Gibbs	466-6914	CC
Fire & Rescue Training	Tues., 7-9 pm	Fire Station Office	466-1204	Station
Fire & Rescue Duty Sections	Sat., 8-12 noon	Fire Station Office	466-1204	Station
Knitting Club	Tues., 10-12 noon	Joyce Hanmer	466-3018	LR
Life Drawing	Mon., 10-12 noon			RR
Mah Jongg	Fri., 1-4:30	Nancy Robbins	466-1780	CR
Overeaters Anon	Mon., 7-8 pm	Barb	954-1533	LR
Senior Lunch***	Mon.-Fri., 11:30-12:30 pm	Senior Center	466-1039	
Square Dancing	Fri., 6-9 pm	David Lovro	466-0540	RR

* Eldorado Area Water and Sanitation District

**For other religious/spiritual services, go to <http://santafe.areaconnect.com/churches.htm>

*** Reservations required

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: www.eldoradosf.org

Volunteers Needed for Road Committee

If you are looking for a way to give back a little time to your community in 2015, the Eldorado Road Committee could use your help. The mission of the Road Committee is to be the “eyes and ears” of the ECIA Board regarding road conditions and signage. The Committee carries out this mission by inspecting Eldorado roads at least twice a year or as needed and rating them in terms of ride quality, erosion, and dust; prioritizing road maintenance and repair needs based on ratings assigned, and population and traffic densities; and separately documenting specific problems (such as stop signs down, potholes, severe ruts) and needs as they are discovered. Unlike

some of the other committees, the Road Committee meets only on an as-needed basis, rather than monthly—which usually means four times a year. In addition to attending meetings, Road Committee members are asked to participate in the road inspections twice a year. An inspection takes about 90 minutes to complete.

The committee has room for three or four more members. If you are interested in joining, have questions, or just want additional information, please contact **Felicia Probert**, Road Committee Chair, at fjprobert@msn.com or 466-1563.

Grow Your Own! It's Time to Sign Up!

Gardeners are time travelers. They think into the next season and beyond. The El Dorado School Community Garden is organizing for the 2015 season, and all interested residents (experts, beginners, and families) are invited to meet on Saturday, March 7, in the El Dorado Community School library at 9:30 AM for information and signup. The all-organic garden, located behind the school's soccer field, began in 2009 on 1.5 acres of scrub. In the ensuing years, dedicated gardeners, both experienced and novice, have transformed the area into an oasis of summer bounty.

Two membership options are available: (1) maintaining your own raised or in-ground bed (4 × 8 feet), or (2) participating in the communal circle garden. There is a nominal one-time membership fee, along with an annual fee. The money provides support for maintenance of the fences, drip systems, greenhouse, and tools, all of which are used by members.

A spring and fall workday participation is required of members, along with a committee assignment.



Committees include education (we partner with the school for programs), irrigation, greenhouse, perennial bed, general maintenance, and the ever popular, composting. Circle garden members meet once a week for two hours to work (and then take home what's harvested), in addition to participating in a committee.

This is a great opportunity to create your own “farm to table” cycle. The challenges of Santa Fe's climate (short season, wind, critters, and, of course, low precipitation levels) are addressed by planting short growing season vegetables and ground covers, by irrigating, and by paying attention to pests for safe and organic removal. Local experts offer various workshop/classes for members, and there's lots of support from “old-timers.”

Whether you want flowers for summer bouquets, your own stash of tomatoes or super hot peppers, or want your kids to have their own pumpkin patch, joining the garden is fun, and a great way of meeting your neighbors. For questions, please contact **Carol Robles**: crobles656@gmail.com.





NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH FLORA & FAUNA GROUP



Termites in Eldorado?

Eldorado's residents may be surprised to find out that there are termites in northern New Mexico and specifically in Eldorado. To find out more, we contacted Eldorado resident **Ken Olds**, who has extensive experience in pest management.

We have two types of termites here in Eldorado, the subterranean termite and the drywood termite. The subterranean termite, as the name implies, forms a nest in the soil. The drywood termite does not require soil for its nest.

Termites provide a valuable function in nature by breaking down dead wood. They also provide a source of food for a number of birds and other animals.

Termites feed on cellulose (wood, paper, cardboard, etc.). They are able to digest the cellulose because of bacteria in their gut that dissolves the cellulose into the sugars and starches they need as food. The subterranean termite will forage from its nest to find food sources. To do this, they may construct a mud tube, about the diameter of pencil, to cross a non-wood surface. These tubes provide a moist environment during foraging. The drywood termite will form its nest directly in some body of wood and does not construct mud tubes.

Termites have a caste society (different classes) with workers, soldiers, and reproductives. The workers are the foragers, providing food for the colony. The

soldiers provide protection, and the reproductives consist primarily of the queen, whose function is to continually lay eggs and increase the colony size. In the spring, generally after a rainfall, new female and male reproductives are formed in the nest. Once these reproductives have developed wings, they leave the nest to search for a new nest location. A single nest can produce hundreds of these winged reproductives, which may be seen flying around the windows and doors of buildings. They are often confused with the reproductives of ants.

To minimize the chances of having termite problems, wood debris should be removed from the house perimeter, and firewood should be stored away from the house. If you are storing cardboard boxes (all cellulose-containing material), do not keep them directly on concrete surfaces. Cracks in concrete may allow the termites to enter the premises; and by raising the cardboard off the concrete, you can spot any mud tubes that would indicate termites feeding on the cellulose material. Residents are advised not to take termites lightly, and to get their homes checked, as an infestation can prove costly.

References for this article are available upon request. Contact us at EldoradoFloraFauna@yahoo.com. We love hearing from you!

RECYCLING NEWS

New County Recycling Ordinance

Santa Fe County has adopted new rules for recycling and new fees for trash disposal at County Convenience Centers (formerly "transfer stations"). Recycling of all materials accepted at the BuRRT recycling processing center is now **required**. The list currently includes glass, #1 and #2 plastic bottles, tin and aluminum cans, foil, paper, and flattened corrugated cardboard. More detailed information is available on Eldorado/285 guides available at La Tienda Building B, the Eldorado Convenience Center, and at eldorado285recycles.org. Information is also available at the county website, www.santafecountynm.gov/public_works/solidwaste.

The purpose of the new ordinance (Ord. 2014-6) is to "promote . . . waste reduction and the reuse and recycling of materials to further resource conservation and minimize landfill disposal."

Convenience Center fees have also been revised. Six (\$35) and 12 (\$65) punch permits replace the 24-

punch permit; they do not expire. Bag tags are five for \$6. They are available locally at the county satellite office at the Ken and Patty Adam Senior Center, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12 to 4 PM.

Eldorado/285 Recycles maintains limited drop-off locations at the Agora and La Tienda Building B. These are for the convenience of shoppers, but they are not for household recyclables, which should be taken to the Eldorado Convenience Center, two miles south of Eldorado on U.S. 285. Our volunteer group does not have the capacity to transport large loads of recyclables.

Eldorado/285 Recycles members also maintain drop-offs for unusual items such as #5 plastics, dental products, athletic shoes, batteries, pens and pencils, and corks. These items are all taken or shipped to specific recycling locations.

—Karen Sweeney

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about Eldorado by
Jack Arnold

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road_concern](http://www.santafecountynm.gov/publicworks/road_concern).

Problem calls 204-2945
Sheriff 428-3720 • Crime Stoppers 955-5050
Neighborhood Watch: <http://eldoradoneighbors.wordpress.com>

Our Dog Park in Winter



On some days, our winter has been colder than normal, but that doesn't stop our devoted dog owners from coming out with their pets in tow for a bit of exercise. Want to join them? You will need a tag to bring your dog to the dog park. To obtain one, file an application at the ECIA office (the form is available online at www.eldoradosf.org > Resident Resources > Forms and Applications > Dog Park Application. (Photo by Jack Arnold).