

VISTAS

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ELDORADO COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

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ECIA Pool Opens for 2022 Season

“Thousands have lived without love, not one without water.” —W. H. Auden

The pool at ECIA has been one of the most-used amenities for decades. And it's no wonder: On any given day during the summer, the sounds of little shrieks of delight, laughter, and splashing water can be heard from almost every corner of the Community Center grounds. The ECIA Pool Team welcomed residents for the 2022 season on **May 28**. The holiday weekend drew many eager patrons excited to cool off in the newly plastered pool.

POOL HOURS

Lap Swim Only: Daily from 7:30–10 AM, as well as Tues and Thurs 6–8 PM

Recreation Swim: Daily 10 AM–8 PM, except Tues and Thurs 10 AM–6 PM

SWIM LESSONS AND EVENTS

ECIA sponsored group swim lessons will begin the weeks of June 20, June 27, July 18, and July 25, Mon–Thurs, 9–11 AM.

Group Lessons: \$80 per person for 4 lessons; 2nd child: \$60 for 4 lessons. At least two lap lanes will continue to be available during this time.

Private Lessons: \$25 for 30 minutes or \$50 for an hour.

Volleyball and Water Polo: Monday evenings from 6–8 PM beginning **June 13**; two lanes will be available at the west-end of the pool for lap swim.

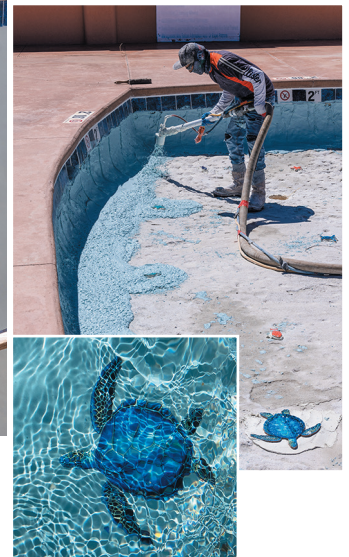
To sign up for swim lessons contact the Pool Manager, Kevin Raphael at kraphael@hoamco.com.

For more information and to sign up to receive pool updates, please visit the Pool Amenity page on the ECIA website at eldoradosf.org/amenities-facilities/pool/.



Both the kiddie pool and large pool received new plaster, and the kiddie pool has some aquatic friends!

—Photos: Top, Rhonda Pierce; Inset turtle, Jessica Collins



ECIA 50th Anniversary and July 4th Celebration

Come join in on the fun and games Monday, **July 4** as we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of ECIA and the 4th of July! We will kick off the day with ECIA's iconic parade in the morning followed by a live DJ, car show, swimming pool activities, and fun and games for all ages. Great BBQ will be provided by B&R along with tasty treats from Oasis Ice Cream.



ECIA 2021 July 4th Parade

Volunteers are still needed to help with various activities. To find out about volunteer opportunities or for more information please contact Ciara at cwalsh@hoamco.com.

50TH ANNIVERSARY FUN FACTS

Arrangements for package trips from other states were made available for potential land buyers to see the land and the tiled-roof, Western-style and Pueblo-style model homes. The visitors were picked up by limousine at the airport, given accommodations at an AMREP motel in ABQ and wine and dined at the Legal Tender. —Windmills and Dreams P. 100, available at ECIA office and on Amazon.



ECIA Annual Meeting and Organizational Meeting

2022 ANNUAL MEETING SUMMARY

The May Board Meeting was pushed back to **May 24** due to the number of Board members unable to attend the **May 17** meeting. *Vistas* goes to press prior to May 24 therefore the Annual and Organizational Meeting will be the only board coverage for this issue.

Board and ECIA members met for the 2022 Annual Meeting at the Max Coll Center on Monday, **May 2** at **5:30 PM** and was called to order by President Sal Monaco.

Ballots were mailed to 2,323 Lot Owners who were Members Eligible to Vote as of the Date of Record, **Mar. 1, 2022**. The quorum for the Annual Meeting is 10% of the Members Eligible to Vote. For the **May 2, 2022** meeting, that number was 232. Of the 381 Quorum Proxy Statements received, 377 were valid. The quorum requisite was met for the Annual Meeting of Members.

Results of the Bylaws amendment vote was YES: 371, NO: 27, with 7 who abstained. The Seventh Amended and Restated Bylaws were adopted. Carol Sanguinetti who ran unopposed was re-elected to a Director's position with 2,323 ballots mailed and 405 ballots returned. Volunteers were recognized for their hard work and Amelia Adair was recognized as the Volunteer of the Year.

Residents and board members discussed the ongoing need for volunteers to fill board and committee positions and the need for activities for youth. The meeting was adjourned at 6:23 PM by President Monaco prior to awarding door prizes.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING SUMMARY

Board members met Wednesday, **May 11** to discuss leadership positions and roles within the Board. It was at



Carol Sanguinetti
Board Chair



Sal Monaco
Former Board Chair

this time President Sal Monaco informed board members and residents of his resignation from the board at the conclusion of the meeting. Board members nominated and voted on the following positions: Board President—Carol Sanguinetti, Vice President—David Sorkin, Treasurer—Joseph Gutierrez, Secretary—position open, Director—Erica Penczer, Director—Jonathan Turkle, Director—position open.

Sal was appointed as Treasurer in December 2019 and served as Board President since May 2021. Sal was a dedicated leader and helped guide the community through many challenging situations over the past years. Sal and his wife, Tana, have been an integral part of the community and their volunteer efforts are much appreciated and have not gone unnoticed. The board would like to wish Sal and Tana, all the best with your relocation and future endeavors!

If you are interested in serving and having a voice in the community, please submit a short bio, candidate statement, photo and resume to the ECIA General Manager, **JNavarro@hoamco.com**, by **June 3, 2022**.

Please join us for our next ECIA Board Meeting on Tuesday, June 21 at 5:30 PM via Zoom.

Welcome Our Communications Coordinator



Rhonda Pierce

University and a Bachelor of Arts in Photography from Webster University. She spent over 20 years in education

Rhonda Pierce has been visiting New Mexico and the Santa Fe area since 2000 and quickly fell in love with the night sky, and the beautiful sunsets. Originally from St. Louis, Missouri, Rhonda and her geologist/fly fishing husband relocated to Eldorado in January 2022. Rhonda holds a Master's degree in Education from Missouri Baptist

teaching college Photography classes and English and Publications classes at the high school level. In addition, she worked as a Naturalist for Missouri State Parks.

In her spare time, she enjoys traveling the back roads of New Mexico, spending time with her husband and dogs and all types of photography. She is a contributing photographer and writer for a Milky Way photography website.

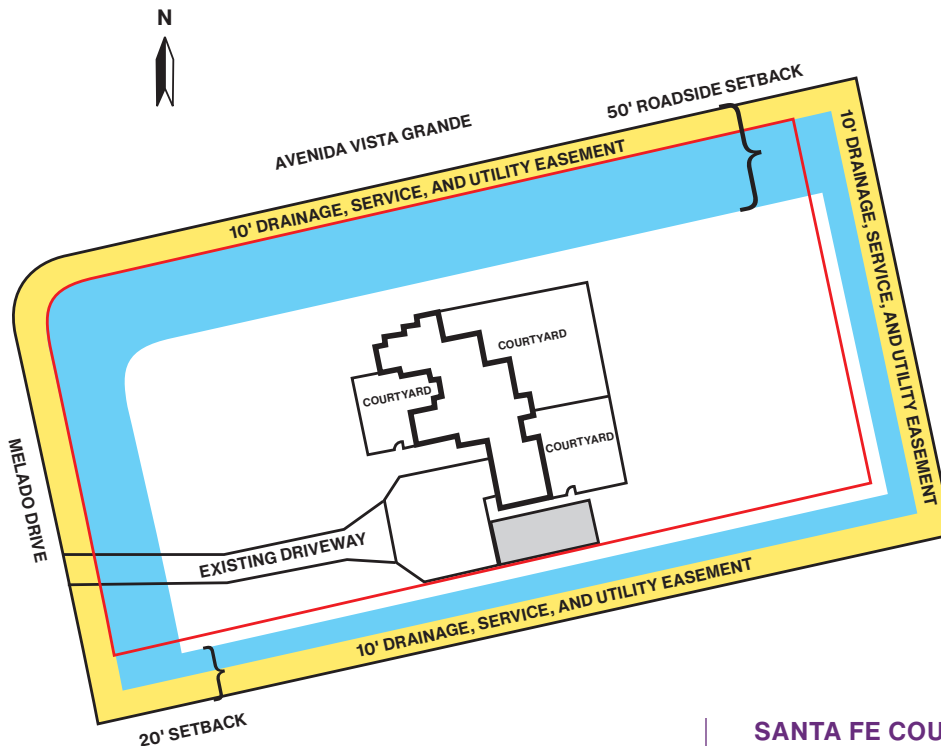
As a resident of Eldorado, Rhonda looks forward to getting to know her neighbors and immersing herself in this beautiful community. As the Communications Coordinator, she looks forward to making sure the residents of Eldorado are well informed and have easy access to news, events and everything related to the community which we all share.

Rhonda can be reached at **rpierce@hoamco.com** and **505 466-4248**.

Eldorado Setbacks and Easements 101

We get many questions from Eldorado residents about what and where the setbacks and easements are in Eldorado. A setback is an area designated by the ECIA or the County that prescribes how close one can build to a property line and what you can build there. An easement in Eldorado allows utilities to access a property for work needed on the utility.

This issue can be confusing because Eldorado has three types of setbacks to consider. The diagram below will help explain them.



UTILITY AND DRAINAGE EASEMENT

This 10-foot easement shown in yellow and located around the perimeter of all lots in Eldorado, is reserved solely for all utility companies, including the Eldorado Area Water and Sanitation District. It provides a location to run their pipes, wires, and other equipment. This 10-foot easement area is protected so that residents can access it but cannot build

structures within it. It exists on all sides of the property and at the edge of the Greenbelt. This easement area was placed on all lots in Eldorado at the time of Eldorado's formation and the ECIA cannot grant variances for structures to encroach into this 10-foot easement.

ELDORADO'S BUILDING SETBACK

Shown in blue on the diagram, it includes the utility and drainage easement area in yellow. No homeowner may build any structures in it unless the ECIA grants a variance before construction. It is specified in the Eldorado Covenants under

Article II, Section 3 and reads as follows:

Section 3. Lot Size, Setbacks.

No buildings or other types of structures, nor portions thereof, shall be located nearer than 50 feet to the front lot line, nearer than 20 feet to the rear lot line or nearer than 10 feet to any drainage easement (whichever is greater), or nearer than 20 feet from a side lot line, except that variances may be made by the ECIA Board of Directors or its designees). On corner lots, the front lot line shall be deemed to be the narrower frontage facing a street and the 50 foot setback shall apply to all adjoining streets. Access to the main residential structures located on corner lots shall be from the secondary street as determined by the Architectural Committee.

SANTA FE COUNTY BUILDING SETBACK

The red line on the diagram represents the Santa Fe County building setback. It comes in 25-feet on the sides and rear and 10-feet in front of all lots. ECIA does not regulate this setback, but residents should know that certain structures must also comply with this setback. It differs from the Eldorado setback in that it allows fences and some other structures within it, which the Eldorado setback does not.

Please contact Mark Young at myoung@hoamco.com with any questions relative to this article.

ECIA BOARD & MANAGEMENT

Board: President Carol Sanguinetti, Vice President David Sorkin, Treasurer Joseph Gutierrez, Secretary Vacant, Director Erika Penczer, Director Jonathan Turkle, Director Vacant.

Management: ECIA is managed by HOAMCO. General Manager Julie Navarro, jnavarro@hoamco.com
Monthly report available at www.eldoradosf.org > Board & Committees > ECIA Governing Board.
ECIA office open 8:30 AM–4:30 PM, closed Noon–1 PM for lunch. Info call 505 466-4248.

What We Learned at the Dump

On Mar. 21 a group of ten members of Eldorado/285 Recycles went on a field trip to the Buckman Road Recycling & Transfer Station (BuRRT). The main objective of the visit was to meet with Danita Boettner, who wears many hats at the Santa Fe Solid Waste Management Agency (SFSWMA). Danita is the manager of the Caja del Rio landfill as well as filling the currently vacant position of manager of BuRTT. She also works as head of procurement.



Danita was the perfect person to explain the intricacies of Santa Fe's complicated waste management system and answer our many questions. Her presentation began with an explanation of the relationship between SFSWMA, the city of Santa Fe and Santa Fe County government entities. SFSWMA is the processor of all the area's trash and recycling collected from the city's residential pickup, the county convenience centers and private haulers. The agency is managed by a Joint Powers Board consisting of four county commissioners and four city councilors when fully staffed. The agency's expenses must be covered by revenues collected from the above entities for dumping collected trash, recycled materials and household hazardous waste. We learned that the cost to dump regular trash is \$52.50 per ton, while the recycling cost is \$150.00 per ton. This discrepancy is due to the added costs of processing recycling which includes sorting and shipping to various processing centers.

This led us to a big question for Danita: What becomes of the various items that we place in our recycling bins or deposit at the Eldorado Convenience Center?

- **Corrugated cardboard** is the closest market as the material only has to be shipped to Prewitt, NM, 160 miles away. It is made into cardboard linerboard.
- **Glass** is shipped to Denver, Colorado to be made into bottles and insulation. It must be collected separately because of its tendency to contaminate other materials.
- **Mixed paper** is sent to Arizona and Colorado and is used to make insulation and egg cartons.
- **Aluminum** has one of the highest market values, and is shipped to various smelters around the country. It is used in the construction and automobile industries in the fabrication of girders, rebar and auto chassis.
- **Plastic numbers 1 and 2** are sent to California and made into plastic pellets.
- **Mixed materials** are sent to Monterrey, Mexico, the farthest market some 900 miles from Santa Fe.

Prior to 2018, when China stopped accepting mixed recycling from other countries, the recycling process was much easier and single-stream mixed recycling could just be bundled up and shipped out. Unfortunately, the U.S. recycling infrastructure has not caught up with this change and Danita told us that 21% of the recycling falls through the cracks and gets landfilled.

Danita stressed that the solution to our waste problem is to reduce the amount of waste we produce and reuse items that can be put to a second use. Recycling should be the last option. Recycling needs our help. Please go to the SFSWMA website: <https://www.sfswma.org/> to find out how to be a better recycler.

—Gary Stoller,
Eldorado/285 Recycles

Vista Grande Public Library June Events

Thank you to everyone who helped make our book sale a success! We appreciate your support, your shopping and your donations. We couldn't do it without you.

Our new hours are: 10 AM–6 PM, Tuesday–Friday, 10 AM–4 PM Saturday, **505 466-7323**.

Summer Reading Kick-off Party: June 1, 1–3 PM, Activities and giveaways for all ages.

Summer Reading: Open to all ages. Please see our website www.vglibrary.org for information on how to participate in the online contest and the list of books that will be part of the prize offerings.

Summer Reading Club (ages 3–10): Wednesdays 2–3 PM, June 8–July 27. Registration required.

Toddler Storytime: Thursdays at 10:30 AM. Masks strongly encouraged.

Family Movie Matinees: Tuesdays in June and July 1–3 PM.

Family Movie Night: Friday, June 17, 7 PM. Family-friendly Ocean-themed film.

New Mexico Film Night: Join Jeff Berg, Friday, June 24, at 7 PM for films from New Mexico that weren't actually *filmed* here. See if you can tell the difference!

Rock Time: First Saturday of the Month at 11 AM.

We're adding new programs all the time, so please check the www.vglibrary.org or signs around the library, especially for dates for Tech Classes or Medicare Information Sessions.

All-ages Chess: Fridays 3–5 PM.

June Art Exhibitions from June 1 to June 30:

New Local Artist: Letitia Hess—Watercolor Paintings, "Watercolor Across the West", the bright light of watercolor.

Local Artist: Peter Rasmussen—Turned Wood Art Pieces. Each piece has unique character and speaks to what it might become.

Still seeking a volunteer Art Exhibition Coordinator. Please contact librarydirector@vglibrary.org to have your information forwarded.

Vista Grande Public Library is located at 14 Ave. Torreon.

The Idyll is Not as it Seems...



Three owls perched in a white birch in Christopher Coleman's front yard, May 31, 2020, a few feet from his dining room window.

"It sounds like Paradise!" That's what Sister Rita said. How could I disagree? I had just given her my impressions of Eldorado after living here for a couple of years, tempting her to come for a visit when the pandemic subsides. I praised the views, the serenity and quiet, the predominantly green and gold landscape, the balance between the colors altering a little with each season, as deciduous trees leaf and yellow wildflowers bloom. Sunrises and sunsets are often spectacular. I was enthusiastic about the wild creatures that wander by the house, some of them treating the front and back yards as their own, which they are, because we humans have decided to live

in their territory. There was the bobcat family investigating one morning, the screech owls roosting in a tree by the dining room for the summer, the bold rabbits, the numerous birds, the occasional snake. And there are coyotes, lots of them, always delightful, always welcome. This is what I tried to convey to Sister Rita, living out her retirement in her order's mother house in Ireland.

But my view has refocused. The idyll is not as it seems. Walkers on trails found the bodies of poisoned animals and birds and, more disturbing, animals struggling against certain death. I learned that some homeowners, dreading the local mice and packrats, are using poisons against the rodents. They do not realize that mice and rats, be they alive or dead, are the natural foods that sustain coyotes, snakes, and owls, among many others. Creatures that eat the poisoned corpses can die or have their health severely compromised.

Now, Eldorado looks a bit different. The same placid green and gold landscape hemmed in by the mountains is there and it continues to delight, but I have become aware that death, some of it unintended, skulks beneath the windblown grasses.

Sister Rita may not accept that there is a place for poison and death in paradise. So, I shall bypass the truth and not tell her that our Eldorado paradise conceals the sinister. After all, I want her to come and stay here for a while and enjoy the beauty amid which we live.

—Article and photo, Christopher Coleman

*See the July edition of *Vistas* for tips to keep rodents away without the use of rodenticide.

Power Outage Tips Part III

Sign up for power outage alerts with PNM at <https://www.pnm.com/0316-ew-outage-alerts>.

You will get texts letting you know the time your power is expected to be restored. On a phone or tablet you can access their website and view a map to see where the outage is.

Sign up with the Santa Fe County emergency alert system https://www.santafecountynm.gov/public_safety/recc. For more tips go to www.eldoradosf.org > Resident Resources > Power Outage Tips.

COOKING

If you have a gas stove or grill, you can light it with a match since the automatic ignition system won't work. An electric kettle or coffee pot can be plugged into a battery backup.

GARAGE DOORS

Consult your owner's manual before a power outage so you know how to disconnect your garage door from the electrical opening system so it can be opened and closed manually. Bear in mind that once you disconnect it, it will no longer be locked.

NATURAL GAS OUTAGES

Some will remember the widespread natural gas outage in New Mexico in 2011. Pump stations in Texas failed, so the gas did not make it much past just north of Santa Fe. People using gas were asked to turn down their thermostats and limit cooking. Neighbors to the north had to wait days until the National Guard went house to house to safely relight heating system pilot lights. For the cooler months, it's a good idea to have sleeping bags and warm blankets for all family members.



ACTIVITIES

If it's daytime, go for a walk. If it's evening, pull out your LED lantern and a jigsaw puzzle to work on or use your book light and read yourself to sleep. Yoga and meditation can pass the time pleasantly.

—Debra Denker,
Safety Education Task Group Chair

The Night Skies Above Eldorado: June 2022

The brightest portion of our Milky Way galaxy, called the Summer Milky Way, rises as darkness falls in early June. It remains visible all night. The Summer Milky Way rises horizontally and rotates during the night. It sets almost vertically. By month's end, the Milky Way will be easily seen as night descends, spanning the SSE to the NNE horizons.

Our galaxy is a flat spiral of 100 billion to 400 billion stars, plus vast amounts of dust and gas, all rotating around a center of gravity called the galactic core.

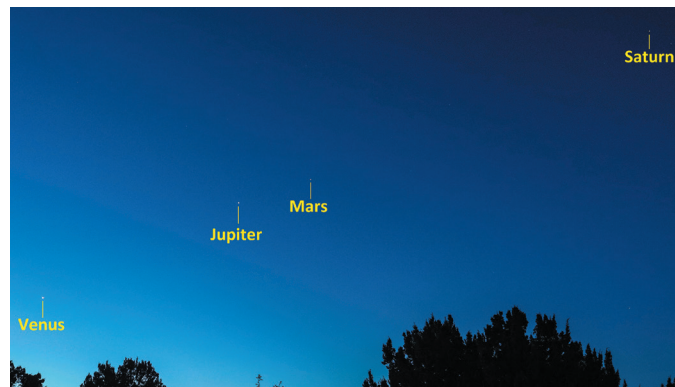
From Earth, the Milky Way appears like a faint, glowing ribbon of light, rather than a spiral. This is because our solar system is located within one of our galaxy's spiral arms and we're viewing our galaxy from the side. The ancient Greeks observed this ghostly light and their name for it translates as, 'Milky Circle.' Other cultures saw the Milky Way and had their own names for it. Some saw it as a celestial river, path or road.



The 'Summer Milky Way' rises over Eldorado in March 2022. The galactic core is just to the right of the tree. Venus can be seen beneath the left side of the tree.

June's early risers will be treated to a parade of planets. Seven planets are visible in the dawn sky (eight, if you include the dwarf planet, Pluto, located to Saturn's right). Only one planet is missing: Earth.

By mid-June, Saturn leads the dawn parade, high in the south, followed by Neptune, Jupiter, Mars, Uranus, Venus, and Mercury, all in a line stretching toward the ENE horizon. Binoculars or a telescope will be needed to view Neptune and Uranus.



Four of the five naked eye planets known since ancient times are clustered in the southeast, during dawn on May 18. Mars will have passed to the left of Jupiter by June 1.

KEY JUNE 2022 NIGHT SKY EVENTS:

June 1: Jupiter and Mars rise together in the east, around 2:45 AM.

June 11: Venus and Uranus appear to be at their closest to one another, rising about 4 AM in the constellation Aries.

June 14: Full moon occurs at 5:52 AM in the constellation Ophiuchus. This full moon is called a 'supermoon' because it occurs when the Moon is near its closest point to Earth, causing it to appear slightly larger than an average full moon.

June 16: Mercury is at its highest point in the morning sky, visible in the east during dawn.

June 21: Summer solstice occurs at 3:05 AM, marking the first day of summer in the northern hemisphere.

June 28: The Moon is new at 8:53 PM and is not visible due to its proximity to the Sun.

—Article and photos by Eric Saltmarsh

Why Do People Volunteer?



There are several reasons people volunteer. For some, it's to gain experience by testing out a career or to help build a resume. For others, volunteering can be a way to help make others' lives better but can have the added benefit of

improving your own life. Volunteering can help save resources and strengthen and beautify your community. Studies have shown that volunteering brings fun and fulfillment to one's life, provides a sense of purpose and satisfaction, and by understanding your community, volunteering helps foster

empathy and self-efficacy, kindles happiness, increases self-confidence and combats depression.

Other reasons people volunteer include: to gain leadership skills; to get to know your community; to learn something new; to make new friends; to keep busy; to improve schools, parks or roads; to give back; to explore a passion or interest; and to invest in your community and the people who live there.

Do you know someone who volunteers? You might find it interesting to ask them why they choose to volunteer. You might be surprised at their answer, and it might spur you to ask yourself, "How can I give back to our local school, park, senior center, library, daycare, literacy program, community event, animal shelter and the list can go on and on."

June Meetings—Community Center Now Open

Meetings may be suspended, held via Zoom, and/or in-person: please check eldoradosf.org.

ECIA Committee	Architecture Committee	Tuesday	14, 28	3–5 PM <i>CFR & Zoom</i>	Katherine Mortimer	architecturechair@gmail.com
	Board Meeting	Tuesday	21	5:30 PM <i>Zoom</i>	ECIA Board	505 466-4248
	Conservation Committee	Tuesday	7	7–9 PM <i>Zoom</i>	Sue Will	conservationchair@gmail.com
	Election Committee	Wednesday	Not meeting in June or July		Bette Knight	electionchair1@gmail.com
	Facilities & Grounds	Wednesday	1	10 AM–12:30 PM <i>Zoom</i>	Kathy Ritschel	fandgchair@gmail.com
	Finance Committee	Tuesday	14	9:30 AM–Noon <i>Zoom</i>	Joseph Gutierrez	j.gutierrez@eldoradosf.org
	Road Committee	Wednesday	1	5:30–7 PM <i>Zoom</i>	James Mason	roadchair1@gmail.com
	Stable Committee	Monday	20	6:30–8:30 PM <i>Zoom</i>	Amelia Adair	stablechair1@gmail.com
Monthly	Eldorado/285 Recycles	2nd Tuesday	14	4–6 PM <i>Zoom</i>	Karen Sweeney	505 466-9797
	Eldorado Book Club	3rd Wednesday	15	3–5 PM <i>LR</i>	Pam Henline	phenline@comcast.net
	Model Railroad	2nd Tuesday	14	6–8 PM <i>RR</i>	Anthony Balano	apbbalano@gmail.com
Weekly	Adult Basketball	Thursdays		6 PM–Dusk <i>Courts</i>		
	Bible Study & Worship Service	Saturdays		10:30 AM–12:30 PM <i>CR</i>	Kevin Rehorn	kevinrehorn@msn.com
	Eldorado Hikers	Tuesdays		8:30 AM <i>NE corner CC Pkg.</i>	Terry Gibbs	505 466-6914 trgibbs@comcast.net
	Knitting Club	Contact for information			Joyce Hanmer	505 466-3018 joycehan@msn.com
	Recovery AA Meetings	Tues/Thurs/Fri		Tues: 5:45 PM <i>CR</i> Thurs: 6 PM <i>CR</i> Fri: 6 PM <i>RR</i>	Olivia Ogorek	oliviaogorek@gmail.com
*	Social Games	Thursdays	2, 16	11:30 AM–3 PM <i>Breezeway</i>	Carol Hardin	caje8@comcast.net
	Cactus Rescue Project	Saturday	4	9:30 AM–2:30 PM <i>Cactus Garden</i>	Barrie Brown	barrie@kp-bb.com
**	July 4th / 50th Celebration	Monday	July 4	10 AM Parade <i>Community Center</i>	Ciara Walsh	cwalsh@hoamco.com

Zoom meeting information is online at www.eldoradosf.org > News & Events > Zoom Schedule

Calendar info collected and verified by ECIA office, GM@eldoradosf.org. Sign up for ECIA Newsbriefs, jcollins@hoamco.com to be notified of changes.
CFR: Conference Room; CR: Classroom; CC: Comm. Ctr.; CC Patio: Comm. Ctr. Patio; CC Pkg.: Comm. Ctr. Parking Lot; RR: Railroad Bldg.

* Indicates Community June events; ** Indicates Community July events

News Corral

ELDORADO RESIDENTS DONATE NEEDED ITEMS FOR FIRE EVACUEES



From left: Gavin Collins and Boot Pierce provide donated items to a National Guard soldier.

Memorial Middle School in Las Vegas, NM, Saturday, May 7. A special grab-and-go snack box was created for the front-line firefighters and workers. A big Thank You to all who donated.

—Photo by Rhonda Pierce

ECIA put out the call and Eldorado residents pulled together on short notice to donate two truckloads and a trailer full of water and Gatorade, toilet paper, paper towels, cleaning supplies, personal hygiene items, socks and t-shirts, snacks and food items for the evacuees of the Hermits Peak and Calf Canyon fires.

Donations were delivered to the

LOCKED AMENITIES / PROXIMITY CARDS

Onsite amenities at the Community Center require a resident proximity card to gain access. Please pick up your proximity cards at the office.

DO YOU HAIKU?

Submit your original Haiku poems to articles@eldoradosf.org. Each month we will feature at least one original Haiku by a resident.

COVID TESTING AND TREATMENT SITES

The federal government website for the Department of Health and Human Services provides a searchable database of locations where you can get tested, as well as locations to obtain specific Covid treatment medications: <https://covid-19-test-to-treat-locator-dhhs.hub.arcgis.com>.

LACE 'EM UP!

The Eldorado Adult Basketball season is here. So, lace 'em, players and c'mon out to the Community Center basketball court for some fun and friendly pick-up hoops! **Thursdays 6 pm to dusk.**



*Roses scent the breeze,
Bluebirds ready to fledge soon,
Spring fades to summer.*

Mission Statement The mission of the monthly newsletter, *Vistas*, is to inform members of ECIA about issues before the Board of Directors, various committees, and the office staff. Any interesting events happening in Eldorado or the surrounding areas may be included. The publication seeks to foster increased neighborhood pride and community participation in the decision-making process.

Editorial Policy *Vistas* welcomes factual and objective submissions, which will be selected and edited at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Community announcements, photos, and articles of interest to homeowners are welcome. Submissions are due on the 5th of the month preceding publication. Submissions may be submitted to articles@eldoradosf.org. For help with any article, see the *Vistas* Style Guide: www.eldoradosf.org > News & Events > *Vistas* Newsletters.

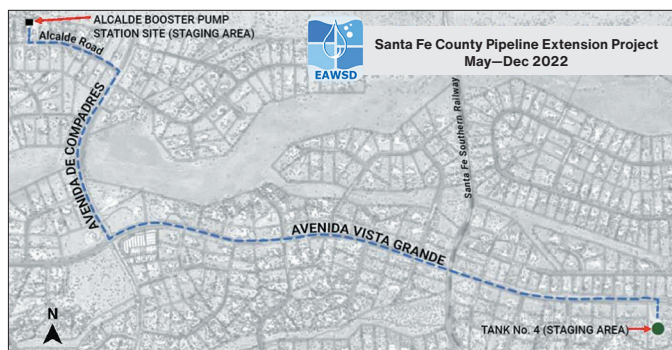
Santa Fe County (SFC) Pipeline Extension

As presented in the District's November 2017 Utility Master Plan Update, securing an additional long term safe, reliable and cost-effective water supply source is the highest priority issue facing the District. With this in mind, on **Jan. 28, 2021**, the Board executed a Water Delivery and Wheeling Agreement by and between Santa Fe County and the Eldorado Area Water and Sanitation District. When completed, it will provide a much-needed source of supplemental water supply to the Eldorado community.

The second of two projects required to deliver supplemental water to Eldorado is the Santa Fe County Pipeline Extension project. Elements of the project include a new booster pump station and chlorination system to be constructed at the District's Well 2A/2B site located at 18 Alcalde Drive. The project consists of construction of approximately 11,500 feet of new 10-inch water transmission pipeline within the Avenida De Compadres and Avenida Vista Grande utility easements from Well 2A/2B to Tank 4 located at 190 Avenida Vista Grande, and installation of disinfection byproduct removal equipment at Tank 4. See project schematic to right.

File Construction is the contractor selected to construct this \$3M project. Preliminary construction of the project began on **Apr. 15, 2022** and is scheduled for completion by the end of 2022. Pipeline installation along Alcalde Drive and Avenida Vista Grande began in early May and is scheduled to continue into early June. The District is working with the contractor to finalize the project schedule and will post periodic updates on their website www.eawsd.org.

NOTE: THERE ARE NO SERVICE OUTAGES SCHEDULED FOR THIS PROJECT.



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