

# VISTAS

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ELDORADO COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

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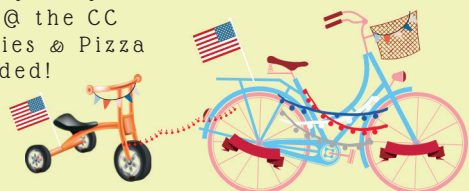
## Celebrate the Fourth of July with Community Events



### Bike decorating party!

Monday, July 3rd,  
4 PM @ the CC  
Supplies & Pizza  
provided!

Bring the whole family for an evening of fun! Get those non-motorized vehicles ready to showcase in the parade! For questions or to RSVP call (505) 466-4248 or email [jneal@hoamco.com](mailto:jneal@hoamco.com)



### Happy Independence Day

Join us for ECIA's annual 4th of July celebration!

Tuesday, July 4th, at the Community Center  
from 10 AM - 3 PM

Parade begins at 10 AM at the corner of Moya Rd and Ave Del



Monte Alto

FREE BBQ

Music by Zydeco Squeeze from Noon to 3PM

Pump Track Grand Opening and First Ride @ 1 PM

Games & Activities

RSVP for a Bike Decorating party to [jneal@hoamco.com](mailto:jneal@hoamco.com)

Register to participate in the parade on the ECIA website

homepage: [www.eldoradosf.org](http://www.eldoradosf.org)



Fourth of July Parade Photos, from top: El Dorado Fire Department, 2023; ECIA Pool staff, 2023; Eldorado residents, circa 1970; Local residents and employees of Professional Automotive Technicians and Eldorado Ice Cream and Supply Co., circa 1970.

# Board Actions and Summary June 20

## CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 PM; held in-person and via Zoom. President Amelia Adair, Vice President Jonathan Turkle, Treasurer Joseph Gutierrez, and Directors Carol Sanguinetti and Ken Howard were in attendance and quorum was met. Secretary James Herbert Williams and Director Mary Bonilla had excused absences.

HOAMCO staff, General Manager Julie Navarro, Communications Director Jessica Neal, Operations Director Mike Rogers, and Covenant and Compliance Coordinator Mark Young, were present.

President Adair called for any additions or corrections to the Agenda and May Minutes, as presented. Following discussion, Director Adair moved to approve the Agenda and Minutes as presented without objections. Hearing none, the Agenda and Minutes were approved as presented.

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Volunteers Sue Garfitt and Karen Koon were thanked and recognized for their advancement of the Pollinator Garden project. Residents Ryan Klinkrodt and resident Henry Lanman were thanked and recognized for their work to help bring the Bicycle Pump Track project to fruition.

## OPEN FORUM

There were no questions or comments.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Adair announced ECIA's annual **4th of July Celebration and parade**. There will be a **Bike Decorating Party** at the Community Center on **July 3 at 4 PM**. The VRRRC will hold a **New Resident Welcome event at the Community Center on July 15 at 9:30 AM**.

## TREASURER'S REPORT AND COUNTY UPDATE

Treasurer Gutierrez reported as of the end of May, the Association has spent 29% of the 2023 budget. \$34,700 receivables have been uncollected, with 2% outstanding. The current cash account has \$227,358; ECIA exhibits strong financial health. The Finance Committee (FC) will be analyzing the reserve projections in the next two Committee meetings in anticipation of the 2024 budget.

Mr. Gutierrez attended a meeting hosted by Santa Fe County to discuss Infrastructure Capital Improvement Projects (ICIPs). He reported on the status of the County's hike/bike trail work in Eldorado. ECIA's ICIP priority requests are still the same as last year: upgrading Compadres Road and the Azul hike/bike trail, included on the County's ICIP list.

Following ECIA's issuance of an RFP through our architect, bids for assembly of the maintenance facility capital project have come in higher than the originally budgeted amount. The FC discussed possible options at its June 13 meeting, and has requested more information from the bidders, plus year-end budget projections from GM Navarro. OM Rogers and FC member Russell Winslow, will report to the FC at the next meeting, the FC will make a recommendation to the Board for consideration at the July Board meeting.

## MANAGEMENT REPORT

GM Navarro reported operations and compliance assistant, Jocelyn Rizo, resigned. Current staff will absorb her responsibilities. GM Navarro is working on budget projections and preparing the first draft of the 2024 budget. Committee chairs were asked to provide their 2024 budget requests to her by **July 7, 2023**. The Board requested an update next month on

how many lifeguards are likely to stay past Memorial Day. ECIA's insurance broker informed the office that our commercial general liability insurance carrier, has advised us we may no longer allow any sports-related lessons to be provided at any amenity. The Stable Amenity is insured by a different carrier which is more flexible, and lessons may continue to be provided at this Amenity. Following discussion, GM will continue investigating insurance options with other brokers and the ECIA's attorney to seek a clear statement of unapproved vs. approved activities from the insurance carrier. The Board requested management be proactive in communicating changes and restrictions on lessons via written signs and electronic notifications.

OM Rogers reported the gas line at the pool has been repaired. Once the line is inspected, the gas meter will be reinstalled, and the pools can then be heated. Meanwhile the pool is open. The pump track is complete. There will be a **Grand Opening ceremony and First Ride at the 4th of July Celebration at 1 PM**. The Dog Park entry system is expected to be completed by the end of this week. Residents will be notified when they are able to access the park with their proximity cards.

DC Neal thanked Members for providing their feedback on the Draft/Proposed Social Media Policy. Suggestions were relevant and will be incorporated in a revised version to be presented to the Board prior to the July meeting. She will investigate Facebook's options for Association security. She will continue to make updates on the ECIA website.

## MOTIONS

1. Treasurer Gutierrez moved to approve the Facilities and Grounds Committee recommendation of an ECIA Amenity Guest Policy which states "Residents take priority over guests during play times at all ECIA amenities". Director Howard seconded, with all in favor, the motion was approved.
2. The Conservation Committee (CC) motion was discussed during New Business as part of the discussion of current trail categorizations; details below.

**Committee Reports may be viewed on their respective page of the ECIA website: [www.eldoradosf.org](http://www.eldoradosf.org).**

## No Variance Requests

## OLD BUSINESS

- The Board plans to hold a retreat this fall to conduct strategic planning. GM will seek a third-party facilitator for this event, and the Board will work on scheduling it during the upcoming Committee Chair Meeting.
- Executive Assistant Ciara Walsh discussed a draft annual Board Calendar with President Adair. The annual Board Calendar was reviewed which includes various deadlines for the Board, committees, and staff. At least two Board members will meet the week before Board meetings to review the tasks produced from the previous meeting and determine progress of policies and motions expected on the upcoming meeting agenda.

## NEW BUSINESS

- Review current trail categorizations in ECIA greenbelts and Preserve. Vice President Turkle and CC rotating chairs Thomas Bredenberg and Paul Butt explained trail standards, definitions, and the plan for re-routing a non-approved trail access point into the greenbelt off Camerada Loop due to erosion. After discussion, the Board determined this is a maintenance project

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# ECIA Compliant Recreational Vehicle Covers

**R**ecreational vehicle (RV) covers can come from any manufacturer but must be in a solid color and of dark earth tones (like our darker stucco colors) or in a dark green or dark gray. These colors tend to blend well into our Eldorado landscape, with the intention of making them as least visible as possible, as per Section 13 of the Covenants, which states:

*“Recreational vehicles, such as motor homes, RVs, campers, camper shells, vehicle accessories, trailers, horse trailers, airplanes, boats and the like, when stored on a lot shall be located so as to minimize their visual impact on the surrounding neighborhood and roads, and shall be obscured by screening in a reasonable manner, for example by the dwelling house and/or with plantings or fencing.*

Approved Eldorado Stucco colors can be found on our website at this link: <https://eldoradosf.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Updated-stucco-colors-2021.pdf>

Residents can locate covers at the below websites as well as being able to find basic Dark Brown/Dark green poly tarps at most local hardware stores.

<https://www.nationalrvcovers.com>

<https://www.covercraft.com>

<https://www.carcover.com>

<https://www.carcover.com/rv-covers.html>

<https://www.amazon.com>

We remind residents that covers with white tops, or covers with designs on them, do not work well to screen RV's and instead it calls attention to the RV. Some examples of **non-acceptable** covers are shown at top right:



Examples of **compliant** solid-colored covers are shown below:



Before you go out and spend hundreds of dollars on a new cover, we urge you to contact our offices and check with ECIA to ensure that the cover you are purchasing will be acceptable.

—Article by Mark Young,  
ECIA Covenant and Architectural Compliance Coordinator

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within the CC's authority, so no Board action is necessary for the project to go ahead. Paul Butt will prepare a list of terms and definitions to present at the CC meeting.

- The CC proposed ECIA hire a staff person to oversee ECIA open space including Greenbelts and the Preserve. The CC will provide a job description, qualifications, and estimated payroll to GM, for consideration by the Board as part of the 2024 budget. ECIA staff will prepare a flow chart clarifying

communication responsibilities of the Board, committee chairs and staff.

### ADJOURN

With unanimous approval, the regular Board meeting adjourned at **8:42 PM**. The Board moved into Executive Session to discuss legal matters. The next regular Board Meeting will be held in-person at the Community Center and via Zoom **Tuesday, July 18 at 5:30 PM**.

## ECIA BOARD & MANAGEMENT

**Board:** President **Amelia Adair**, Vice President **Jonathan Turkle**, Treasurer **Joseph Gutierrez**, Secretary **James Herbert Williams**, Director **Mary Bonilla**, Director **Ken Howard**, Director **Carol Sanguinetti**

**Management:** ECIA is managed by HOAMCO. General Manager **Julie Navarro**, [jnavarro@hoamco.com](mailto:jnavarro@hoamco.com)

Monthly report available at [www.eldoradosf.org](http://www.eldoradosf.org) > Board & Committees > ECIA Governing Board.

**ECIA office open Mon–Fri 8:30 AM–5 PM, closed from NOON–1 PM for lunch. For information call 505 466-4248.**

**ECIA Community Center open Mon–Fri 8:30 AM–8 PM, Sat & Sun 9 AM–5 PM.**

# ECIA Amenities Update



*The pool opened June 3 for the 2023 season.*

## POOL:

Every year, the ECIA Pool is targeted to open Memorial Day weekend. Though this is the weekend staff prepares to open, there can be mechanical issues that arise which may prevent opening on time. Having an outdoor pool exposed to off-season elements, when the equipment and chemicals are not regularly maintained, unexpected issues may arise. This year, the pool was ready for opening a week before Memorial Day weekend, however the pump motor failed just days before. The pump circulates water and chemicals in the pool and through the filter to ensure the water is balanced for a healthy swimming environment. Without the motor to run the pump, the swimming environment was inadequate for residents to utilize. The pump motor was replaced and despite a frigid water temperature, the pool was able to open on **June 3**. We look forward to a fun and active pool season!

## POOL NEWS:

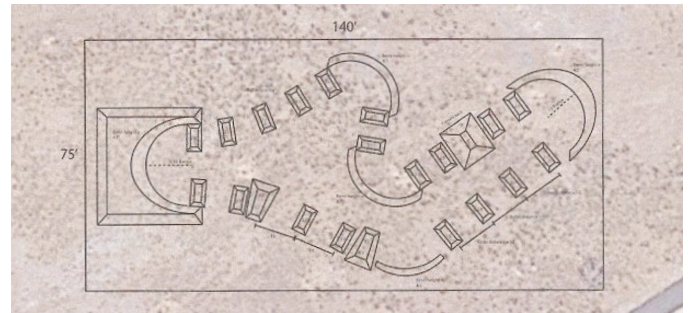
A lifeguard certification class will be held in July. If you are interested in lifeguarding, especially after school is in session, please look for updates about the dates and times of the class.

If you are interested in water polo or volleyball, please let staff know and we will arrange a date and time to set up the nets.

ECIA pool staff will not be providing swim lessons due to restrictions from our insurance carrier. Julie may be contacted at [jnavarro@hoamco.com](mailto:jnavarro@hoamco.com), or 505 466-4248.

## PUMP TRACK:

The Pump Track construction project began **June 7**. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony and “first ride” during the **4th of July Celebration**. Join us in this fun event with your decorated bikes from the parade at **1 PM**.



*The Pump Track will open at 1 PM, July 4.*

## ALL AMENITIES:

At this time, per ECIA's insurance underwriter's, no lessons will be allowed at any amenity, except the Stable Amenity which is insured under a different carrier. Further investigation of a solution to this matter is being conducted.

# Tribute to Dedicated Resident Nolan Zisman

**N**olan Zisman, loving father, husband and friend, passed away on **Apr. 28**, at the age of 82. Nolan is survived by his wife, Patricia (Kweskin), brother John, son

Michael, daughter Julie, and daughter-in-law Carma (Berglund).



**Nolan Zisman**  
**Oct. 3, 1940–Apr. 28, 2023**

Nolan grew up in Denver and developed an entrepreneurial spirit working in his family's many businesses, including a liquor store and a Chinese restaurant. He graduated from high school and undergraduate programs in Colorado and earned an MBA from Northwestern University. Nolan leveraged his education working for Southern Pacific Railroad and IBM in a career that spanned

41 years. He maintained a busy schedule well into retirement, holding numerous committee roles in Eldorado that led to him being voted Eldorado Resident-of-Year in 2008.

Nolan's passion was music. He was inspired to play a variety of instruments starting in fourth grade and had a deep appreciation for big band music and jazz. He carried this passion throughout his life, playing trumpet while in school and founding two community bands, including Swing Shift here in Santa Fe. Nolan was instrumental in rebuilding music programs for the Santa Fe Public Schools Music Education Department. His 10 years of volunteer work led to thousands of students in Santa Fe engaging in music.

Nolan loved and cherished time with his family. He spent many hours documenting his genealogy so that the family understood the deep roots and ties to one another. Nolan was also an avid bicyclist. He and Patricia made over 30 trips to multiple countries, including a cross-country ride from Santa Barbara to Charleston in 2001.



# Vista Grande Public Library Mid-Summer Events

In honor of the holiday, Vista Grande Public Library (VGPL) will be closed on **Tuesday, July 4**, but you can come see us walking in the parade.

**Trivia Night: Every 4th Monday of the month.** The contests will be held at the Santa Fe Tap Room at La Tienda. There is a \$10 entry fee with proceeds going to VGPL. Please arrive a little before 7 PM to register and form teams.

**Medicare Information Session: Saturday, July 8, 10–11:30 AM.** If you will soon be turning 65, please consider learning what you need to be aware of as the time to choose Original Medicare or Medicare Advantage Plan coverage draws closer. The session is moderated by Nancy Johnson, an Eldorado resident for 20 years, a VGPL volunteer and a certified Medicare Benefits Counselor with the New Mexico Department of Aging.

Our 5th annual celebration of **Dog Days of Summer** will be on **July 22, from 1–3:30 PM.** Meet dogs of all shapes and sizes who serve Santa Fe as Assistance Dogs, Therapy Dogs and Search & Rescue Dogs. Española Humane Animal Shelter will be onsite in the Meeting Room with puppies and kittens available for adoption.

**Summer Reading** started **June 1**. You can participate in the Summer Program online as well as in-person, and it

isn't too late for either. In-person programs will be held on **Wednesdays, July 5 and 12, from 2–3 PM** for ages 4 to 3rd grade. All ages (adults, too) can participate online through Beanstack. Just go to the Summer Reading page on our website for information, [www.vglibrary.org](http://www.vglibrary.org).

We'll have **summer movie matinees July 11 and 25, from 1:30–3 PM.** Please contact us for more information on titles.

We're revamping the **Chess Program** for the summer, so times may be added, but we still welcome players **every Friday** from 3–5 PM.

**Family Movie Night: Friday, July 21, at 7 PM.** Movie, juice and popcorn are free. Contact the library for title.

Our **July artist**, Julia Kinney, will be holding a reception, **Saturday, July 1, from 1–3 PM.**

**Toddler Story Time: every Thursday at 10:30 AM.**

**All Together for Shakespeare:** The Upstart Crows will present scenes from Twelfth Night as well as teach some basic stage fighting to interested audience members on **Saturday, July 29.** Time TBD, call 505 466-7323 for details.

Local author **Jeff Darren Muse** will be presenting his new book *Dear Park Ranger: Essays on Manhood, Restlessness, and the Geography of Hope* on **Wednesday, Aug. 2, at 6 PM.**

Final **Rock Time** of the summer: **Saturday, Aug. 5** from 11 AM–2 PM.

## Etiquette on Our Trails

Our Hike & Bike Trails are for the use of all Eldorado residents. These are the common courtesies we need to follow so we can all enjoy our time on the trails:

1. When passing other residents, always pass on the left.
2. Make sure you can pass safely before attempting to pass.
3. If you are on a bicycle, give the audible warning, "PASSING ON THE LEFT," from a safe distance behind the person.
4. Slow down while passing.
5. Whether you are with your dog or in a group, stay to the right side of the trail so you don't block the flow of the other users.
6. Don't wear headphones so you can hear the warnings.
7. If you are bicycling or walking from dusk to dawn, always use a light. This light should be clearly visible from several hundred feet away.
8. The Eldorado Hike & Bike Trails have a speed limit of **10 MPH.**
9. Be courteous of other users regardless of their mode of travel, speed, or level of skill.

As residents of this wonderful community, let's keep these simple considerations in mind so we can all enjoy the 13 miles of our Hike & Bike Trails amenity.

## Zydeco Squeeze, Aug. 5

Hey, Squeeze Heads! By popular demand, we'll be back again this year, so time to start gearin' up. Get those lawn chairs, coolers, favorite hors d'oeuvres recipes out, your happy feet footwear ready and your buddies lined up for a fun, outdoor, free event: La Tienda Plaza Stage, Eldorado,

**Saturday, Aug. 5 from 5:30–8 PM.**

We'll be layin' down our Zydeco groove and more! If you were there last year, you know what fun we had. If you weren't there, you get a second chance this year. Plan ahead and get the date on your calendar. It'll be comin' around before ya know it.



*Zydeco Squeeze members from left: Judy Mitchell, Julia Spinelli, Josh Allen*

If you're new to Zydeco Squeeze and/or Zydeco music, check us out at [www.ZydecoSqueeze.com](http://www.ZydecoSqueeze.com).

# Night Skies over Eldorado during July

**D**ue to the Southwest monsoon season, July's night skies are often characterized by storms and stars. Depending on the night, we might observe intense lightning displays or peer into the heart of the Milky Way—or both.

Venus and Mars start the month near one another in the western twilight, setting soon after dark. Saturn rises about **11:30 PM**, with Jupiter following about three hours later.

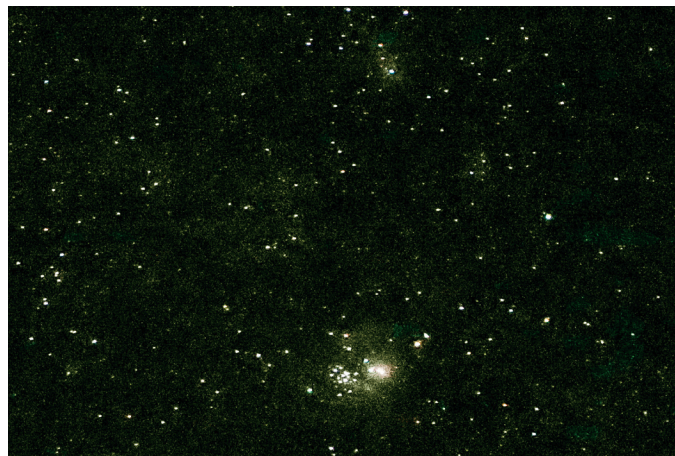
During July, Venus appears to speed back toward the Sun, growing in size and brightness, while turning into a slim crescent. By month's end, Venus sets in early twilight, soon to reappear as the Morning Star.

On a clear, moonless night, it will be worth stepping outside and looking south, just after dark. The center of the Milky Way will be well-positioned for viewing. The area around the brightest patch of the Milky Way, known as the Large Sagittarius Star Cloud, is richer in deep sky objects than any other part of the night sky (please refer to the accompanying star map below).

This part of the Milky Way includes ghostly splashes of starlight, bisected by the 'Great Rift'—dark lanes of dust and gas. Open star clusters, globular star clusters, and nebulae abound in this region of the galaxy. Some of these deep sky objects are visible to the unaided eye, but a pair of binoculars or a telescope will reveal much more.

The Large Sagittarius Star Cloud is quite a sight, in and of itself. Because it formed early in our galaxy's life, star formation in the Star Cloud ended long ago. As a result, there isn't a lot of dust and gas to block our view of the Star Cloud and the stars within it are old, orange giant stars. This is why the Large Sagittarius Star Cloud has an unusual orange hue.

A bit below and to the right of the Large Sagittarius Star Cloud are two open star clusters, known as the Ptolemy Cluster (a.k.a., Messier 7 or M7) and the Butterfly Cluster (M6). Open star clusters are groups of stars that were born in the same cloud of gas and dust and are now traveling together through space. Because these two clusters are visible to the naked eye, they were known to the ancients.



*The Lagoon Nebula (M8) is below center, with the fainter Trifid Nebula (M20) above center. These nebulae are clouds of dust and gas where stars are born. Note the star cluster on the left side of the Lagoon Nebula.*

Above the Large Sagittarius Star Cloud is a small, bright knot that looks like a tiny version of the Beatles' Yellow Submarine. This is the Lagoon Nebula (M8), a giant cloud of dust and gas where new stars are born. An open star cluster can be seen within the left side of the nebula.

Space doesn't permit a description of every interesting object in this part of the Milky Way, so you'll have to rely on the star map, then venture outside and see for yourself.

## KEY JULY NIGHT SKY EVENTS:

**July 1:** Venus and Mars are in conjunction above the western horizon during twilight, about 3.5 degrees apart.

**July 3:** The full Buck Moon occurs at **5:40 AM** in the constellation Sagittarius. This full moon is called a Supermoon, due to the Moon's proximity to Earth in its orbit around us. As a result, the Moon appears slightly larger than average.

**July 6–17:** With the Moon out of the evening sky, this is an excellent time to view the Milky Way.

**July 17:** New moon.

**July 29–30:** The Delta Aquarid meteor shower peaks overnight. About 20 meteors an hour can be expected under ideal conditions. However, the waxing gibbous moon will interfere with viewing.

**July 31:** Venus, Mercury, and Mars form a shallow triangle in the evening twilight.

—Article and photos by  
Eric Saltmarsh



*This is a map of the Milky Way near the galactic center, with the Large Sagittarius Star Cloud in the middle of the image. The two stars near the bottom right are known as the 'Cat's Eyes'—they roughly point toward the Ptolemy Cluster.*



# July Meetings

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

ECIA Committee	Architecture Committee	Tuesdays	11, 25	3–5 PM <i>Zoom</i>	Katherine Mortimer	architecturechair@gmail.com
	Board of Directors Meeting	Tuesday	18	5:30 PM <i>Zoom / CR</i>	ECIA Board	505 466-4248
	Conservation Committee	Tuesday Bi-Monthly	No Meeting this Month		Thomas Brendenburg	conservationchair@gmail.com
	Election Committee	Wednesday	No Meeting this Month		Bette Knight	electionchair1@gmail.com
	Facilities & Grounds	Wednesday	5	10 AM–12:30 PM <i>Zoom</i>	Kathy Ritschel	fandgchair@gmail.com
	Finance Committee	Tuesday	11	9:30 AM–Noon <i>Zoom</i>	Joseph Gutierrez	j.gutierrez@eldoradosf.org
	Road Committee	Wednesday	No Meeting this Month		James Mason	roadchair1@gmail.com
	Stable Committee	Monday Bi-Monthly	No Meeting this Month		Lisa Bessone	stablechair1@gmail.com
Monthly/ Semi-Monthly	Volunteer Recruitment and Retention Committee	Thursday	TBD	9:30–11:30 AM <i>Zoom</i>	Amelia Adair	a.adair@eldoradosf.org
	Acoustic Jam	2nd & 4th Sun.	9, 23	4–6 PM <i>CC Patio (LR if weather)</i>	Chris Harrell	clharrell505@gmail.com
	Bridge Club	1st & 3rd Wed.	5, 19	1–4 PM <i>CR</i>	Susan Lovro	sulovro@aol.com
	Eldorado/285 Recycles	2nd Tuesday	11	4–6 PM <i>Zoom</i>	Karen Sweeney	505 466-9797
	Eldorado Book Club	3rd Wednesday	19	3–5 PM <i>LR</i>	Pam Henline	phenline@comcast.net
	Model Railroad Club	2nd Tuesday	11	6–8 PM <i>RR</i>	Anthony Balano	apbbalano@gmail.com
	Mah Jongg (Social Games)	2nd & 4th Wed.	12, 26	11:30 AM–3 PM <i>Foyer</i>	Carol Hardin	caje8@comcast.net
Weekly	Adult Basketball	Thursdays	6 PM–Dusk <i>CC Basketball Court</i>			
	Al-Anon	Saturdays	3:30–5 PM <i>CFR</i>		Phebe Macrae	phebemacrae2@gmail.com
	Bible Study & Worship Service	Saturdays	10:30 AM–12:30 PM <i>CR</i>		Kevin Rehorn	kevinrehorn@msn.com
	Chair Aerobics	Tuesdays / Thursdays	10:30–11:30 AM <i>RR</i>		Naomi Burntack	505 577-7305 naomiburntack@gmail.com
	Eldorado Hikers	Tuesdays	8:30 AM <i>NE corner CC Pkg.</i>		Terry Gibbs	505 466-6914 trgibbs@comcast.net
	Recovery AA Meetings *Thursdays Women Only	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
*	Bemer Presentation	Thursday, July 13	6 PM <i>CR</i>		Stephen Weiss	jshahaddigan@gmail.com 505 224-2158
	New Resident Welcome Event	Saturday, July 15	9:30 AM <i>LR and CC Patio</i>		Jessica Neal	Please RSVP: jneal@hoamco.com

Zoom meeting information is online at [www.eldoradosf.org](http://www.eldoradosf.org) > News & Events > Zoom Schedule. Calendar info collected and verified by ECIA office, [GM@eldoradosf.org](mailto:GM@eldoradosf.org). Sign up for ECIA Newsbriefs by going to [eldoradosf.org](http://eldoradosf.org), scroll down to “Sign up for eBlasts”.

CR: Classroom; CFR: Conference Room; LR: Living Room; RR: Railroad Bldg.; CC: Comm. Ctr.; CC Pkg.: Comm. Ctr. Parking Lot

\* Other July Community Events

## News Corral

### CACTUS CUTTINGS GIVEAWAY

The annual Cactus Cuttings Giveaway will take place in the La Tienda parking lot on **Sunday, July 16, at 9 AM**. There will be a brief presentation before the giveaway will commence.



### 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.**



## Safety Town Hall Recap

An update on public safety was provided by Sheriff Mendoza on **May 31**. Sheriff Mendoza reported on incident statistics in Eldorado. He reminded the ECIA community there are five zones in the county covering 2,000 square miles; Eldorado area has the most populous and engaged residents with the lowest crime rates. The Sheriff informed residents their office is understaffed, and response time may vary depending on the level of priority. Please contact Jessica Neal, [jneal@hoamco.com](mailto:jneal@hoamco.com) or 505 466-4248 for a copy of the recorded meeting.

If you would like to be engaged with Neighborhood Watch, please contact Joe Loewy, 505 231-6462 or [jloewy42@aol.com](mailto:jloewy42@aol.com), or visit <https://www.eldoradoneighbors.wordpress.com>.

In case of an emergency, call 911. For non-emergencies call 505 428-3720 or email [sheriffconcerns@sfcounnym.gov](mailto:sheriffconcerns@sfcounnym.gov).

Interactive Zoning Map: <https://www.santafecountynm.gov/sldc/zoning-map-application>

District Map: [https://www.santafecountynm.gov/media/files/county\\_commissioners/Commission%20District%20Map%20-%20updated%20October%202022.pdf](https://www.santafecountynm.gov/media/files/county_commissioners/Commission%20District%20Map%20-%20updated%20October%202022.pdf)

Sheriff's Hotsheets summarizing incident responses: <https://www.santafecountynm.gov/sheriff/sheriffs-hotsheets>

*Sunsets and monsoons,  
Bicycling, swimming, frisbee—  
Cheer for the 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](mailto:articles@eldoradosf.org). For help with any article, see the *Vistas* Style Guide: [www.eldoradosf.org](http://www.eldoradosf.org) > News & Events > *Vistas* Newsletters.

## Honoring Community Volunteer Joe Loewy

What does it take to be a volunteer and to care about the organizations and people with whom you interact? A desire to keep involved with community, whether the local Homeowners Association, ECIA, the water district EAWSD, Greater Eldorado Neighborhood Watch or serving the Santa Fe County Housing Authority Board as a member for a decade. This brings to mind Joe Loewy, who was recently honored for his 10-year service on the Santa Fe County Housing Authority Board (photo at right) sharing his expertise in establishing policies and directives to enhance affordable housing services in our county. He has been a public servant with a career in public housing and accounting and recently retired from the Board effective May 30. We value your volunteer service Joe! Check out this link (<https://go.boarddocs.com/nm/sfc/Board.nsf/files/CRWRVZ6FA46A/%24file/Proclamation%20Declaring%20May%2030%202023%20as%20Joseph%20L.%20Loewy%20Day.pdf>) to read further about Joe's tenure on the County Board.

Joe and Carol Loewy officially moved here in 2012 and Joe immediately got involved in many facets of ECIA being a volunteer for several committees to include Finance, Election and Bylaws Review as well as advising staff by proof reading materials. Neighborhood Watch needed volunteers, so Joe stepped up to be a Block Captain and now serves as the Chairman for this active community group, one of the

largest in NM, which now includes many adjacent HOA's. A gift of being able to interact with and care for and about others, and his community motivates Joe to keep volunteering with the Cancer Foundation for NM, being a helper in the Chemotherapy Room and Caregiver's support group, serving on the EAWSD Capital Planning Advisory Committee, Communications and Customer Service Advisory Committee and the Rate Study Committee.



**Board of County Commissioners Honor Joseph Loewy for his service to the SFC Housing Authority Board.**

Joe feels strongly that volunteerism is rewarding and keeps the community in which we live alive and growing. Please consider stepping forward and being a volunteer for your ECIA (HOA) and who knows the friends you will meet and how your experience and expertise will help and support our community!

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