



# The Eden Islander

THE OFFICIAL "EDEN ISLES NEWSLETTER"

EDEN ISLES SPRING 2012

P.O. BOX 2746 • SLIDELL, LA 70459

## 2012 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING DATES

**MARCH 13**

**Tammany Yacht Club  
Meet & Greet 6-7 PM  
Meeting 7:00 PM**

**2012 MEETINGS**

**JUNE 12**

**SEPTEMBER 11**

**DECEMBER 11**

### WATCH FOR ANNUAL EVENT DATES

**Driveway Socials**

**Fall Neighborhood Yard Sale**

**October Night Out Against Crime**

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### *Presidents Message:*

Hello Neighbors! Welcome 2012!

At the General Membership Meeting in December 2011, a new board was nominated and voted upon. The following is a roster of your new 2012 Eden Isle Homeowners Association:

Board:

**President:** Cathy Drolla

**Vice President:** Raymond Frey

**Secretary:** Colin Minster

**Treasurer:** Lou Sandoz

**Board Members:** Paul Titus, Billy Price, Ken LaNata, and June Collins

Welcome new Board Members and your support is greatly appreciated. On our website, specific Committees and their chairmen are listed for reference. If you would like to be a part of a specific committee, please contact one of our board members. All volunteers are embraced.

Spring will soon be here again. Time to get out and show how proud we are of the neighborhood we have invested in. We appreciate the large majority of homeowners who regularly and consistently show their pride of ownership by keeping their homes and yards well kept and maintained. Our deed restrictions are clear on the expectations of the homeowners. As Eden Isle homeowners, we have all accepted the responsibility to stay within the restrictions.

The Board is gearing up for a successful yearly dues campaign. Like all communities and all individuals, we face tough economic times right now, but unlike many other communities we do not have to make major changes to services in order to "stay afloat". The Board currently reviews all contracts, and challenges all vendors to create savings for our homeowners. We are pleased to announce that we have recognized these savings already with our landscaping company. By creating these savings we are able to maintain our current levels of service without raising association dues. This is the number one goal of the HOA.

Please remember that if you are planning on making any exterior improvements such as decks, sheds, gazebos or swimming pools to your home, you must contact our Architectural Committee. Your project will also need to have the appropriate parish permits, and be within the guidelines established in the covenants of the association and parish codes.

If you have not had a chance to visit our website, please do so, for all community information. Reach us at [www.eiho.org](http://www.eiho.org). This website is the place to stay connected and is continuously updated. The Board can also be contacted through the website.

We are looking forward to a great year with many activities planned. Take care and stay cool!

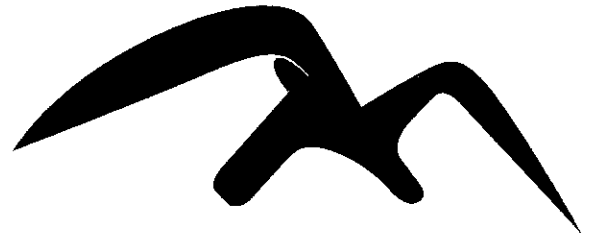
*-Cathy Drolla*

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# Eden Isles Homeowners General Meeting & Christmas Party

## December 13, 2011 • Tammany Yacht Club

Cindy Franatovich- President  
Paul Titus- Vice President  
Anne Nash- Secretary  
Denise Berthelot- Treasurer  
Sarah Mulls- Welcome committee  
Kenny LaNata- Director



The meeting was called to order @ 7:20 pm.

1. A motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the last General Membership meeting. A call for questions was raised. No questions or concerns voiced. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the minutes.

2. Denise gave the treasurer's report:

12/13/2011 Balance \$20,303.70

Anticipated end of 2011 year balance 10,306.74

The 2012 Proposed Budget was presented and discussed. A motion was made to accept the 2012 budget; it was accepted unanimously.

3. The final installment of the signs have been ordered and will be installed within the next few months.

4. Cindy recapped the year and gave special thanks to each person who made it possible.

The 2011 Board members received a bottle of wine for their service.

Eden Isle Neighborhood Yard Sale- Carol Wester and Anne Nash

Night Out Against Crime- Phyne Gambino for hosting the event.

Decoration and Signs- Karen and Fred Theode

Web master- Lee Longstreet

Newsletter- Anne Nash and Cathy Drolla

Welcoming committee- Sarah Mulls

5. Cindy presented the nominations for the 2012 Board vacancies. They are:

Cathy Drolla, June Collins, Lou Sandoz, Colin Minster, William "Billy" Price, and

Raymond Frey.

A motion was made by Ralph to accept the nominees and seconded by Nancy Baldwin.

The slate of nominees was passed unanimously.

6. Multiple door prizes were awarded and the 50/50 raffle, \$150.00, was split with homeowner Mike.

7. A motion to end the meeting and the Christmas party ensued.

# EDEN ISLES GARDEN CLUB

## CHRISTMAS DECORATION WINNERS

As mentioned in our last Eden Islander Newsletter, Eden Isles Garden Club has now re-established the tradition of choosing the best kept front lawns and gardens each month. During December, we chose from some very good Christmas lightings. This year's First Place award was a Gift Certificate from Garden Spot which went to Mr. and Mrs. Riviere at 106 Eydie Lane! Coming in a close Second and Third Place, respectively, were: 211 Moonraker, Sandy and Larry Keys and 314 Eden Isles, Leslie and Brian Puntila. It was so hard to choose so we awarded also two Honorable Mentions: 101 Anita Place, Lisa and Daniel Crowley, and 311 Eden Isles, Michael and Rachael Calamari. Congratulations to the winners. Remember, we will be looking for green lawns and blooming plants each month for a first place winner!! So come on gardeners, let us see your stuff!!!



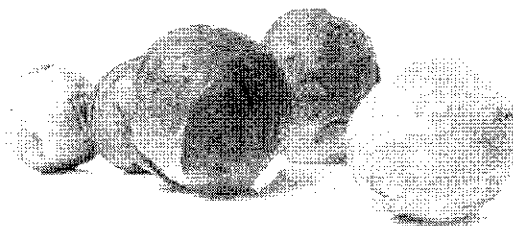
### GUYS AND GALS OF EDEN ISLE:

THE EDEN ISLES SINGLE CLUB HAD A VERY BUSY FEBRUARY WITH PARADES, HORSE RACING AT THE FAIR GROUNDS, ALTERNATING TUESDAY NIGHT CARD GAMES OR MOVIE NIGHT AND SUPER BOWL PARTY. THE MARCH CALENDAR IS IN THE WORKS WITH LOTS OF FUN OUTINGS SCHEDULED.

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¾ cup green onions- chopped  
½ cup sliced almonds or chopped pecans

Prepare Brussels sprout. Set aside. Cook bacon until crispy and drain on paper. Reserve oil. Add onions to the bacon grease and cook until limp. Add Brussels sprouts and sprinkle with reserved bacon grease until lightly covered. Cook sprouts until tender. Add cranberries and nuts and toss well. Continue to cook until desired tenderness. Toss crumbled bacon on top and serve.

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## **Termite Information for Homeowners**

With termite season upon us, we will start noticing the annual termite swarms that we all dread. The Eastern Subterranean termite typically swarms from late February until the mid to end of May. Their swarms take place in the early afternoon. The Formosan termite swarms at dusk, typically late spring or around Mother's Day. Swarming termites near a home doesn't always indicate infestation. However, if the swarming continues on a regular basis, with multitudes landing on or around your house there may be cause for concern as they might be inside already. Termites cause millions in losses annually, so if you suspect any termite activity, be sure to contact a professional. Some tips that may help you prevent termites include but are not limited to:

- Keep mulch, wood debris, scrap lumber, sawdust and firewood away from your home. If you do keep firewood outside your house during the winter, keep it raised off of the ground.*
- Trim all shrubs, bushes and other dense greenery away from the foundation of your home. Move mulch away from the foundation as well. Allow slab to be visible at all times, and not covered by mulch.*
- Don't stack, store or bury wood debris adjacent to your home.*
- Remove infested trees and stumps.*
- Try and keep lights off while swarming occurs in the evening hours.*
- Ideally, wood siding, stucco and foam board should be at least six inches away from the ground.*

Be sure when selecting a professional to protect your investment, you ask that "Termidor" be the chemical used. Termidor is an advanced undetectable liquid technology; that means the termites cannot see, smell, taste, or avoid it. Instead they contact, ingest and share Termidor, completely unaware that doing so inevitably will kill them.

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## **5 Quick Tips for a Safe Neighborhood:**

- 1. Lock your doors, whether you are inside or outside. It is the #1 deterrent to property crime.**
- 2. Maintain your yard around your home. Prune bushes 18 inches from the windows and 24 inches off the ground. If you see "feet", call the Sheriff's Office!**
- 3. Adequate exterior security lighting around the resident is a must. Motion-lights add a double layer of protection. Check monthly for bulbs that need replacing.**
- 4. Report all suspicious activities in the neighborhood. If you think it is suspicious, IT IS! Call the Sheriff's Office.**
- 5. Get to know your neighbors. Watch for each other. Exchange telephone numbers. Deputy Eddie Vauthier of the St Tammany Sheriff's Office, Eden Isles Homeowner**



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## **Slidell Flotilla 4-08 - 8th District CR**

**U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 4-08** is located in Slidell, Louisiana. This all volunteer search and rescue organization serves the needs of the boating public in the areas of public education, vessel safety inspections, active Coast Guard augmentation, (watchstanding as well as Helo Ops and SAR coordination exercises) and on the water patrols. Flotilla 4-08 meets 19:00 hours on the second Wednesday of the month in Slidell, La. at Tammany Yacht Club in Eden Isles. The public is invited to attend and new members are always welcome.

### **Boating Safety Suggestions**

- Always wear your personal floatation device (PFD).
- File a float plan. See "Float Plan Central™" for details.
- Alcohol and safe boating operation just don't mix.
- Know how to swim.
- Read the owner's manual for your boat.
- Always maintain a good look at where you're going. Stay to the right of oncoming vessels.
- Keep a whistle or horn readily available.
- Stay away from tugs, towboats and large ships.
- Stay away from swimming beaches, waterfront residences, jetties, dams and shallow water.
- Don't cut in front of other boats or jump wakes.
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**EIHOA FINANCIAL POSITION**

*Through January 2012*

Estimated 2012 Annualized Income/  
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Estimated 2012 Annualized Expenses:  
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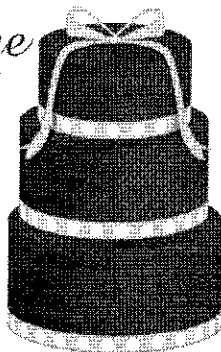
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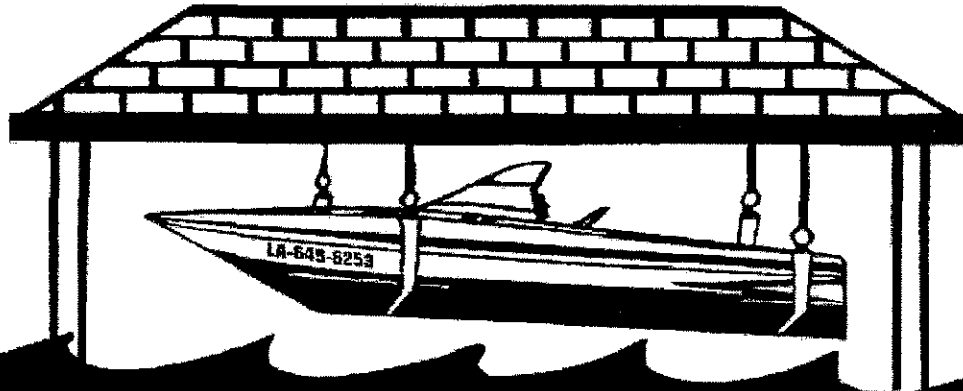
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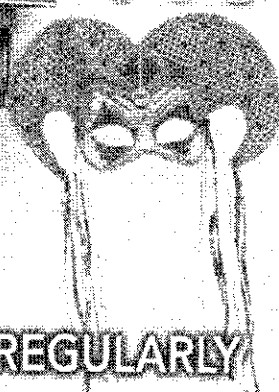
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Jerry Binder, council – dist.12	985 641-7064
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- Louisiana State Legislature	
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A.G. Crowe, Dist-1 State Senator	985.643.3600
- Dept. of Environmental Quality	866 896-5337
- Wildlife & Fisheries	800 442-2511 / 985 882-0027
<b>City of Slidell</b>	985 646-4330
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CLECO - Electric Power	800 622-6537
Coastal Water Works	985 641-7932
CWS - Garbage	985 781-3171

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## 2012 Board of Directors

2012 - Eden Isles Homeowners Association Administrative Roster			
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Colin Minster	Colin.minster@gmail.com	985-649-1684 504-473-1425	Secretary
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Paul Titus	pstjr@bellsouth.net	985-649-6678	Board Member - Greenspace
Billy Price	w_pricejr@msn.com	985-726-9262 504-460-9289	Board Member
Ken LaNata	kwlاناتa@bellsouth.net	985-781-6442	Board Member
Cindy Franatovich	Cindy.Franatovich@sbpsb.org	985-201-7383	Advisor, past pres.

# Eden Isles Homeowners Association

Annual dues \$120.00, due the beginning of each year

(everyone is welcome & you may pro-rate if you moved in mid year)

Homeowners Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Slidell, LA 70458

Mailing address, if different: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you wish phone number listed in the directory - Yes / No; if yes please circle which number to list.**

(for security reasons, we recommend listing your phone number so your neighbors can contact you if they see suspicious activity)

**Would you like to serve on the board of directors or on a committee? - Yes / No**

Please mail your annual dues to: **EIHOA P.O. Box 2746 Slidell, LA 70459**

**Thank you for your support**

Comments:

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## ***A note about dues:***

The parish does not maintain or fund the maintenance of the public spaces of our neighborhood, your homeowners association does !

Monies collected are used for cutting the grass in all of the public green spaces through out the neighborhood. Lighting, maintaining and seasonal decorations of the signage. Installation & maintenance of the street signs. Cost, repair and utilities associated with the security cameras. Planting & maintaining the landscaping. Publications, posters, newsletters, postal service & postage. State fees regarding the entity of the association. Water testing Lab expenses. Expenses of holding meetings. Insurance & Legal.

Note: Board & committee members are uncompensated neighborhood volunteers whose only interest is contributing to the well being of the neighborhood as their time permits.

Those not contributing to the upkeep of the neighborhood (paying of dues) create an undue burden in trying to implement all the association is charged with doing. The more homeowners that participate, the more your association can accomplish. The current level of financial participation does not leave our budget with the funds necessary for the expensive legal process of enforcing the covenants they way they should. Although the covenants are a legally binding part of your deed, without sufficient association funding, the burden of enforcement rest with each individual homeowner. Fortunately, most of the covenants have mirror parish laws which you can request the parish enforce. These are notated on the EIHOA "guide to the covenants" listed on our website.

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