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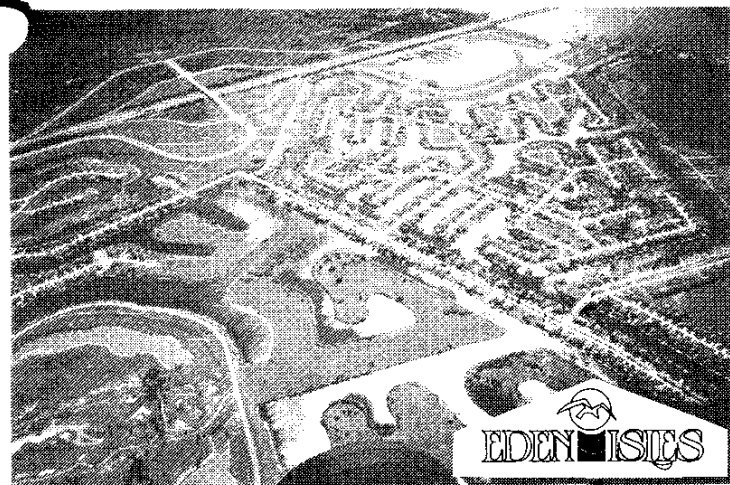
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Well, the 1994 holiday season is on us, but we still have one Homeowner's Association meeting left. At this meeting we will elect next year's Board of Directors. The Board will then select next year's officers at the December Board meeting.

This year in Eden Isles has been a year of many strong currents of change. Clipper has started a major new development, the RTC has sold its interest in Oak Harbor, and once again the specter of gambling in our

best to keep things in order and moving along properly. Yesterday, I called Debbie on the phone, and she said that she is playing golf every day, she will soon move into her new house in Arizona, and she

misses us all. She asked to be included in the Islander mailing list. Debbie also said that she will come back to see us while on vacation next May. Unfortunately, she will have to miss out on the many interesting offerings that Eden Isles has to offer in December, such as Santa by Boat, the Christmas Light Parade, and, of course, the Christmas Yard Decoration competition. I always like to ride around in the canals in my boat at night to see the lights in the back yards.



back yard has raised its ugly head. Let's hope we can stick together to effectively deal with these impending changes.

As you know, Debbie Willoughby, our past president, has moved away to Arizona, and the office of president has befallen to me. For this I am honored and will try to do my

Party, to be held at Will and Judy's. Get-togethers like this foster friendship and neighborhood unity. You'll find details about the party inside this issue. Also, for those of you who will be unable to attend the next Association meeting, we have enclosed an absentee ballot to vote for the Board of Directors.

I hope all of you have noticed how much The Eden Islander has improved lately. Myself being involved in its

## A LETTER FROM

## THE PRESIDENT

production, I know that it takes a lot of work to create a newsletter. I would like to extend a special thanks to Kasia Kobeszko, whose help has been invaluable. In addition to writing her own article, she types and proofreads others' and helps with the editing.

I hope to see you all **TUESDAY** night, **NOVEMBER 29th**, at 7:00 PM at the **TAMMANY YACHT CLUB** for our final meeting in 1994.

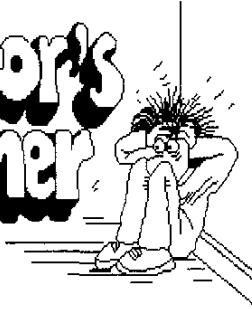
I want to invite and encourage all of you to attend this year's Christmas



*Bill Northrup*

HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

# Editor's Corner



You will probably notice that there are many aerial photographs in this issue. On the first of November, I went flying over Eden Isles and took about 150 pictures for The Eden Islander archives. We now have photos of the entire area and of parts of it, photos from close up and from very high in the sky.

As for this issue, we have several items concerning the controversial Clipper Island development and the fate of Oak Harbor East. There is an article and a letter from the newly reactivated Moonraker Island Homeowners' Association directed towards Moonraker and Enterprise residents. Shanna Labourdette wrote the facts on the possibility that we might have a casino across the interstate, and Beth Kobeszko's "Don't Read This" tells what might be the effects of that happening on property values.

My daughter Kasia's interview with Nell Forstall, a longtime Eden Isles resident, led to the latest "Once Upon A Time," this time about the more personal side of early Eden Isles. Marilyn Cazaubon has written her second "Bits and Pieces," and we have a new column, written by Mike Bruce, containing tips and suggestions for gardeners. If you need any more specific help, you can call him at 643-5327.

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The puzzle in the last issue received 12 responses, and everyone who attempted it received a t-shirt, even though there were a few mistakes. The first solved puzzle was dropped off in my mailbox, on the same day that the Islander was mailed, with a note reading, "Size XL or L shirt, or two since we were first." The senders have received two shirts for their speed and sense of humor.



The 1995 Eden Isles Telephone Directory is nearing completion and is expected to go out this December. There is still time for local businesses who wish to support our efforts to buy an ad in this directory. For details call me at 641-4869. We still need more support.

**Andrew Kobeszko**  
Editor

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## Board of Directors Election '94

The mail-in ballot is only to be used by current, dues-paid, active members of the Eden Isles Homeowners' Association. If you are not a current member and wish to send in your vote, please attach check payable to: Eden Isles Homeowners' Association, for \$20.00. This ballot must be received no later than Nov. 26 because the election will be held Nov. 29. Do not mail in this ballot if you plan to attend the meeting.

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# W E L C O M E

## WELCOMING COMMITTEE

The year is almost over, and we have welcomed more than ninety newcomers already. It looks like Eden Isles will have over a hundred new residents by the end of this year.

Lately, I've had an experience with newcomers who didn't wait to be welcomed. A family had just moved in, and they needed a certain phone number. They called me, and my husband delivered them a welcoming package right away.



*Beth  
Kobeszko*

This is a good approach to prevent people from slipping through the cracks, and it also has an added advantage. We often have to visit a house several times before we come when someone is home. When newcomers call and ask for a package, we know for sure that they will be there when we come to welcome them.

If you know someone who has just moved in, please tell them about the Welcoming Committee and give them my phone number. We still need some more volunteers. If you could help us with anything, please call me at 641-4869.

**On behalf of our Association, I would like to welcome the following residents and their families who have recently moved into our community:**

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# GREENFORCE

by Pam White

Well, autumn has rolled around once again, bringing an end to the third season of this committee's work. We hope that you noticed the improvements which have been made on the neutral grounds throughout the subdivision. In spite of all the digging and construction done by the utility companies this summer, we still managed to keep the grass mowed on a fairly regular schedule, and flower beds are being replanted as funds become available. We're very proud of the work that has been accomplished and have high hopes for the future. We just hope that



you will show your support for this work through your continued financial support when the fund-raising literature is sent to you later this year.

We can't wrap up the 1994 season without a sincere thanks to all the volunteers who worked so hard for us all throughout the spring and summer. Everyone who rode the mower, weeded a flowerbed, pruned shrubs, painted a street sign, e.t.c., did us all a great service, and we owe them our thanks. Thanks also to all of you who supported us financially — we couldn't do much without you!

*Do you remember that rainy Sunday, Peg?*



*Devoted Volunteer.* Peggy Menard was caught trimming bushes on the Boulevard median despite the rain one Sunday afternoon.

Photo by Andrew Kobeszko

## ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

We need some candidates to serve on the Architectural Control Committee in Unit 4. No experience is necessary. Next year the Committee will be issuing ID badges so that you can be identified while performing your duties. If you have read your covenants, you know that Committee members have the right to enter onto property to insure compliance with our building restrictions. We don't want to be too oppressive, but I think that it is time to clean up some past illegal structures. The Committee is charged with the responsibility of keeping the subdivision property values from deteriorating. The Committee will soon start issuing Stop Work Orders and Fines for violators, as well as some retroactive actions.

Although we don't have one unified set of cover each area of Eden Isles came from a common developer, so the covenants all read about the same. If you would like a copy of your covenants, come to the meeting and I will see that you get one.

What makes the covenants hard to enforce is that WE must enforce them, neighbor against neighbor. We would all prefer a big bully from outside of Eden Isles to force that neighbor to remove that piling that he is not supposed to have out in the canal. Unfortunately, there is no such bully. Instead, it is us who must enforce our laws. The covenants say that we may use proceedings at law or equity to enforce our rules and guidelines. First we send letters, then we try to confront the violator, then we put up a sign, and then we have to bring about a law suit to recover damages from an accused violator of the covenants. If they lose the law suit and then don't pay the fine, then we have them in a criminal situation with all that that implies. It is a long and awkward road, but we must live by our laws.



**Bill Northup**

Being a member of the Architectural Control Committee is not all police work as I have described above. Reviewing and approving the plans for a proposed new house is and satisfying. If you would like to be a member of this vital and important committee please give me your name and number so that I can contact you.



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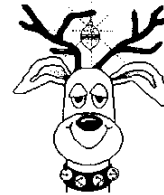
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# NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBORS

SHANNA LABOURDETTE

## East Oak Harbor possible casino site?

The stakes are high, and now's the time to decide if we who live in Eden Isles want a casino practically in our back yards. Although nothing is written in stone at this point, recent events have raised some legitimate concerns about the possibility of a riverboat at Oak Harbor. **We must consider economic impacts, quality of life, and moral issues.**

Local elected officials all agree a public referendum would best decide the issue of riverboat gambling on a portion of the 2,900 acre Oak Harbor land tract, and latest developments indicate some complex legal hurdles ahead for a permanent casino operation.

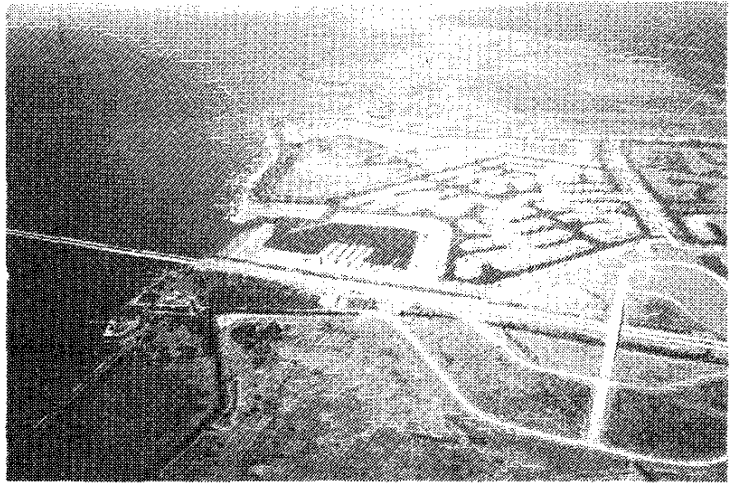
Recent polls indicate that Slidell area residents are overwhelmingly opposed to casino gambling so close to home. As for we who live in Eden Isles and Oak Harbor, a riverboat casino would change the "landscape" near us, but casino customers would supposedly not gain access to the boat from our Interstate exit.

As our St. Tammany Parish Police Juror Gary Rinck points out, the parish would receive an estimated \$4.5 million or more annually from a riverboat.

While State Representative Pete Schneider (R-Slidell) waits for the spring legislative session to seek a public vote, the Resolution Trust Corporation made an eleventh hour decision last week to extend the property bidding period from November 2 to January 30, 1995.

Prior to that decision, which came on November 2, local officials feared the expedited schedule to close bids meant a casino developer was pulling some sly moves.

Various reports have also suggested Louis Roussel as having his eye on purchasing the property as a relocation spot for the Star Casino in New Orleans. However, Roussel has so far refused to confirm this report.



*View of Eden Isles and Oak Harbor East, the possible future site of a riverboat casino.*

With Bally's intent to share a dock with Star in New Orleans east, a Star spokeswoman said last week that the casino owners are now looking into all options now.

Schneider said it would be quite easy, and possibly require only 30 days, for an already-licensed casino to move across the lake.

St. Charles Parish made the mistake of relying on their parish government zoning authority to keep a boat away, and failed to introduce state legislation aimed at acquiring a public vote.

Meanwhile, the Save Our Wetlands group, which has fought to keep the area free of commercial development, announced last week they will shift efforts away from Oak Harbor to fight Pearl River dredging.



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Casinos and casino developers bring with them much clout. With promises of economic development, including jobs, taxes, and prosperity for all, they can paint a very appetizing picture. They make promises that their development will increase surrounding property values. That is not the case.

If they suddenly put a casino into an area with extremely high unemployment and very low property values, their case may hold water. Eden Isles, however, does not fit that profile. Our community members have extremely high employment and our property values are also high.



So, why would we want a casino? We don't need these jobs, we don't need the traffic, and we don't need even a possibility of more crime, so what can it offer us?



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BETH KOBESZKO

self without putting your neighborhood at risk of anything. Think about it — didn't most of us move here to get away from commercialization? A casino would just bring crowds of people and take away from our peaceful atmosphere.

In summary, you only have to ask yourself one important question — will a casino better the life of your family and neighbors? I encourage each resident to keep a watchful eye on this most important issue. **Don't gamble with your property values!**

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# SECURITY

by Sid Menard

This, being the last newsletter of the year, is a good time to review our progress for this year. As of this writing (the beginning of November), we still have two months to go to generate more participation. At the beginning of this year, 330 families were participating in the Security System. As of this writing, our membership is approaching 500 families. I am setting our goal for next year to attain 600 or more members. We have made many improvements in the service this year because of increased participation. Using these improvements as a catalyst to generate additional participants, we can get needed revenues to make additional improvements. It is a slow process, but it is working. We offer our thanks to all of you who are working with us to provide us with the best possible security system, and hope others will see what we are accomplishing and join us.



This year was not all a bed of roses. Early in the year we had many problems recruiting personnel. Late in the summer we had a problem with a guard being involved with house burglaries. The Times Picayune sensationalized this story and did not follow up with the additional facts that without the help of other parts of our system, this young man probably would not have been brought to justice. It is regrettable that situations like this happen, but this is not a perfect world, and that is why we must have a strong and effective Security System.

**JOIN US!**



One of our goals for the future is to increase the usage of off duty Sheriff Deputy Patrols. These have been effective for the few weeks that we have had them. The only regrettable part of this service is that we have to pay for the services which should be provided us as a matter of course.

I look forward to serving you as Committee Head for this upcoming year. I hope that those of you who supported us this year will continue, and those of you who have not will begin next year.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy Holiday Season, and that the extra security that we provide will bring you peace for the Season.

## Community Scoreboard

Occupied Homes .....	1004
94 Homeowner Members.....	441=44%
94 GREENFORCE donors.....	370=37%
3rd Quarter Security .....	492=49%
100% Supporters .....	261=26%
Do Somethings.....	613=61%
<b>Do Nothings .....</b>	<b>370=37%</b>

We have made good progress this year. Our voluntary membership levels have set new records for the association. I hope you can see the differences that have been made in this community this past year. In a few weeks you will receive a letter requesting your renewal of support for next year. Please give it your immediate attention.

**Thanks for making this year a good year for our board of directors and our community.**

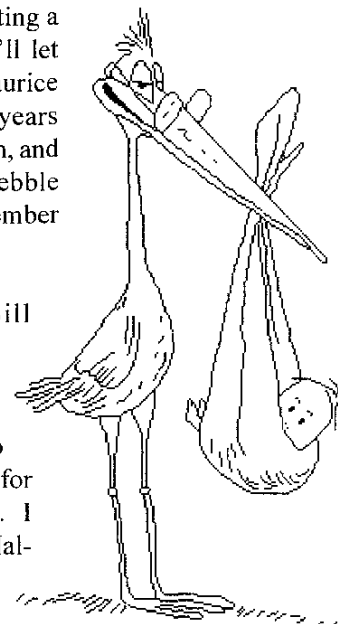
## BITS AND PIECES

by Marilyn Cazaubon

It's time for me to climb on my soap box again. North Shore Beach Bazaar will soon be having a charity drive, the details of which will be noted later. Please gather old coats of all sizes to donate.

I would like to congratulate Robert and Jeanette Essick of 119 Southern Star, who have celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary, and Sandy and David McNamara, who just had baby boy. Linda and Steven Griggs of 103 Ondine Lane are expecting a new baby any time now — I'll let you know what sex it is. Maurice Cazaubon is celebrating 72 years young on the 13th of this month, and Andrew Kobeszko of 177 Pebble Beach just turned 40 on November 5.

Our new president Bill Northup is doing a splendid job. I hope he can continue. The election for Board of Directors is this month, so please come and cast your vote for the candidates of your choice. I hope everyone had a Happy Halloween and nobody got sick.



# History is more than just a series of dates and important events.

In order to really understand what a certain time and place were like, you'd have to know about the daily life there. The difference between Eden Isles today and 20 years ago isn't really that big — living here has been a "status symbol" from the very beginning. However, a difference does exist.

Even though it was "civilized," early Eden Isles still had some signs of the wilderness it had been. The land and water stretched almost uninterrupted towards the horizon, giving a feeling of vastness and isolation. Ducks, snakes, nutrias, and

In its first year, the Garden Club started the Krewe of the Bilge and its annual boat parade. These parades were just like other Mardi Gras parades, complete with original Krewe of the Bilge doubloons. Five boats, including one from New Orleans, participated in the first parade, but it more than tripled in size to 18 boats by the second year. As for the Krewe itself, it became a social club after a while and had parties during the year.



The original plan for Eden Isles included space for two schools and churches, three playgrounds, and 15 parks, all on the landlocked neutral grounds between streets. The areas near the interstate were set aside for stores and multiple family homes. The only things out of the original plans that were ever built were the interstate exit and a clubhouse at the end of Pebble Beach Drive. The latter was a favorite meeting place for

## Once Upon A Time...

by Kasia Kobeszko

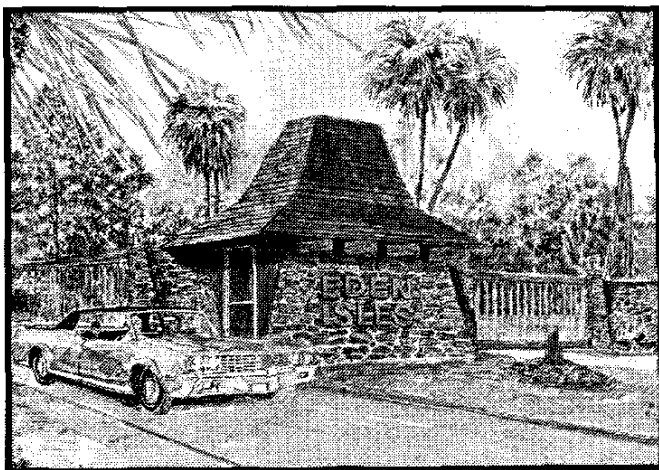
plenty of fish inhabited the canals, and alligators could sometimes be seen in the water. The weather wasn't always favorable. With few houses or trees to stop them, terrible winds blew and rains often became raging storms.

Once there were enough people for members, organizations started forming. The most obvious one is the Eden Isles Homeowners' Association, which was created around 1974. It originally had a president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. Security, GREENFORCE, and the other Association committees were created later on.

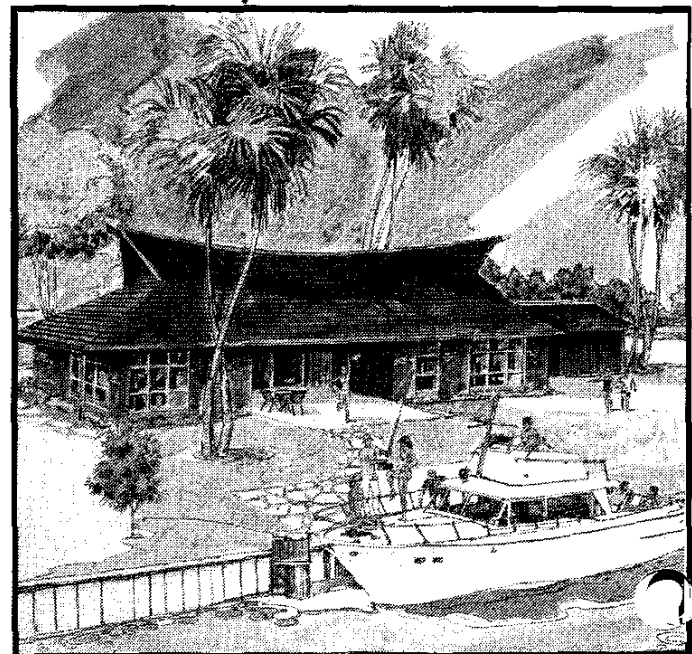
Eden Isles residents.

With all the attractions in Eden Isles, most residents had plenty of guests. Friends and family came not only to visit but also to enjoy the watery surroundings and boat, fish, or swim. Whatever life might have been in early Eden Isles, it certainly wasn't dull!

*Special thanks to Mrs. Nell Forstall and Mrs. June Erickson for the information and drawings in this article.*



The Garden Club was formed in 1978. Its main job was taking care of the entrance to Eden Isles (there was only one back then because there was no interstate access). It also awarded six Yards of the Month each year, four for front yards and two for backs.



*Drawings from a brochure showing the island paradise that Eden Isles was planned to be.*

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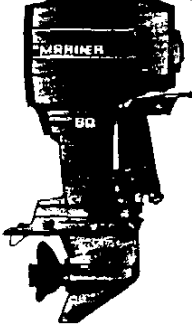
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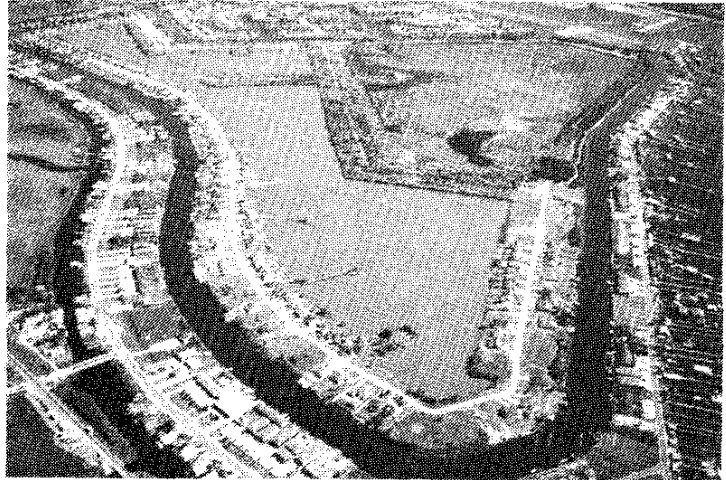
This past October 3, Mike Bruce and Robert duPont (199 and 197 Moonraker Drive) organized a meeting for the residents of Moonraker and Enterprise Drives, who are a part of the Moonraker Island Phase 1 and Phase 2 developments. Each resident, including the Clipper Island developers (whose land is included in Phase 2), were notified by letter 10 days prior to the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to inform the homeowners of what information they had acquired on the Moonraker community and to inquire if there was an interest in reactivating the homeowners association. This association has been registered with the State of Louisiana since 1980. Many of the homeowners who attended this meeting were unaware of the facts that involve their neighborhood and their homes. The following are some of the facts that were presented at the meeting:

- (1) Residents of Moonraker and Enterprise Drives are not protected under the covenants of Eden Isles.
- (2) The covenant of Moonraker Island Phase 1 and 2 development is still active and capable of being enforced, just the homeowners association is not active.
- (3) The present covenant contains some provisions that no longer adequately apply to residences of Moonraker and Enterprise Drives, and if left unchanged, could adversely affect individual homeowners (i.e. assessments, liens, etc.).
- (4) A strip of land that surrounds Moonraker Lake and adjoins properties along Moonraker Drive, is owned by the Clipper Island developer. The developer has expressed their desire to sell this land to the homeowners involved at a minimum cost.
- (5) The Clipper Island developer has expressed the desire to secede from the Moonraker covenant. They have established their own covenant and would not want their land governed by two covenants. At the meeting, a representative of Clipper Island presented a legal draft, to be signed at a future meeting by 66 2/3 percent of the association's members, to allow their property to be excluded from the Moonraker covenant.

Of those individual residents that attended the meeting, a majority voted that the homeowner association should be reactivated to address these and future issues. Under the provisions that govern the association, five (5) directors were nomi-

nated and elected to represent the homeowners. The Moonraker Island Homeowners Association Directors (and their Moonraker addresses) are: Thomas Cunningham (153), Claire Curry (187), Robert duPont (197), Aaron Giroir (202), and Larry Key (111). Following the meeting, the homeowners association was reactivated and officially filed with the Secretary of State's office in Baton Rouge.

We, the newly elected directors, have concluded that many issues face Moonraker Island residences. This is a critical time for the Moonraker community. Our actions now will define what the future holds for us and our homes. Without the coop-



*Area view of Moonraker, showing Moonraker Lake, Highway 11, Moonraker Drive, and the site of the Clipper Island Development. Eden Isles Drive is at the top left corner of the photo.*

eration and participation of every Moonraker Island Phase 1 and Phase 2 homeowner, we cannot represent their interest. We cannot and will not take on these tasks alone, we want your help. Every home on Moonraker and Enterprise is affected.

### JOIN US AND TAKE AN INTEREST IN YOUR COMMUNITY.

Finally, we would like to thank the Eden Isles Association for allowing us to present our information in the Eden Islander. We hope to establish a good working relationship with them.

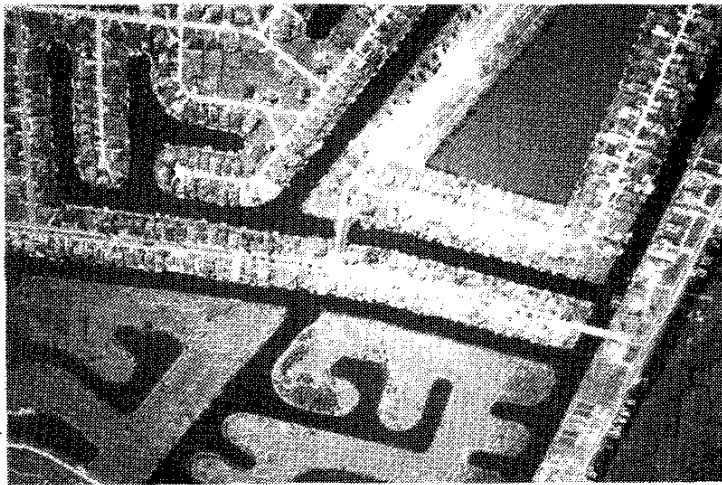
The following is a letter dated October 20, 1994 that we sent to the Clipper Island developer, informing them of our (the directors) position. We submit this letter to you as information and so that you understand the situation that all Moonraker Island homeowners face: as of November 3, we had not received a reply from the Clipper Island Development.

**MOONRAKER ISLAND  
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION  
197 MOONRAKER DRIVE  
SLIDELL, LA 70458**

Clipper Island L.L.C.  
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To whom it may concern:

On October 3 a meeting was held, at the Tammany Yacht Club, to reactivate the Moonraker Island Homeowners Association (herein called M.I.H.O.A). The meeting was held in accordance with Louisiana's nonprofit corporation law and with the Association's articles of incorporation. At that meeting, five (5) individual homeowners were nominated and elected



*Bird's eye view of Eden Isles Drive, Moonraker Drive, and the entrance to the Clipper Island Development.*

to the Board of Directors. Also at the meeting, Mr. Joe Taffaro, a representative of your development group, presented to us a document for our review. This document contains, as we understand it, an act of amendment to the M.I.H.O.A. covenant to release the property (in which your group now owns and wishes to develop) subject to the M.I.H.O.A. covenant. Following the meeting, the appropriate documents were filed with the Louisiana Secretary of State's Office to reactivate the M.I.H.O.A..

On the following Sunday, October 9, the elected Board of Directors held a meeting to discuss the immediate situation of the homeowners association, discuss the present covenant's content, and establish a position on these issues. The following is the established position of the M.I.H.O.A. Board of Directors:

- (1) Clipper Island L.L.C. is recognized as the Declarant of the Moonraker Island Phase 1 and 2 development, according to the content of the present covenant.
- (2) At this time, the M.I.H.O.A. recognizes the developer to have only one (1) Class A vote. However, it is understood that, as the undeveloped land is subdivided, more voting rights will be acquired by the developer, until all the land that is subject to the M.I.H.O.A. covenant is completely subdivided.
- (3) It is also recognized, due to the way the M.I.H.O.A. covenant is currently written, that no changes to the covenant can be made without the current Declarant's authorization.
- (4) By presenting to the M.I.H.O.A. the act to amend the covenant, it is recognized that your development group wishes to establish its own homeowner's association for the Clipper Island Estates, and wishes to remove itself from the position of "Declarant" of the M.I.H.O.A.. This would require 66 2/3 percent vote of the Association.
- (5) The Board of Directors concur that an update of the current M.I.H.O.A. covenant is needed. This would require 66 2/3 percent vote of the Association.
- (6) Your position on which covenant the lake will be subject to is unclear. The dimensions of the lake were not included in the submitted act of amendment.
- (7) It is requested by the M.I.H.O.A. that the lake be resubdivided, and that the sale of the land parcels behind the Moonraker Drive lakeside residences be finalized before the Act of Amendment is signed.
- (8) The Board of Directors believe that both the Act of Amendment and an updated revised M.I.H.O.A. covenant, can be signed by the required amount of homeowners (66 2/3 percent) at one meeting. This way the covenant would only have to be revised one time and the immediate issues of the M.I.H.O.A. can be resolved.

The M.I.H.O.A. awaits your reply to its position on these issues. The Homeowner's Association wishes to work with you in a professional and congenial manner, and looks forward to resolving this situation as soon as possible.

Thank you for your time.

Thomas Cunningham - Director  
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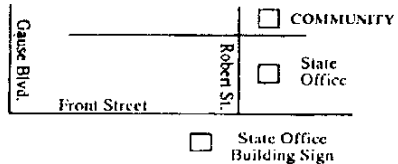
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2nd: 100 Rampage Loop

3rd: 320 Windward Passage

4th: 107 Rampage Loop

Members of the Garden Club participated in Clean City "Make A Difference Day — the Beautification of Slidell." The ladies gathered on a beautiful Saturday morning to clean up both the Highway 11 and Oak Harbor entrances, as well as neutral grounds down the boulevard. To all the onlookers who passed and wondered, it was the ladies of the Garden Club at work for you. Many thanks to all the ladies who turned out to support this worthwhile project. The entrances really took on the look of a community that cares!



**Juanita Gibbs**

Garden Club members and their guests also participated in the Greater Slidell Council of Garden Clubs Luncheon and Style Show recently. Eden Isles was very active in the show — modeling fashions, calling the Bingo games, collecting door and raffle prizes from local merchants, and donating plants and table centerpieces.

And to close, a quick planting tip. As you probably know, it's the time of year to plant pansies. Don't forget to add blood meal to the soil when planting for beautiful, healthy plants. Happy gardening!

## GARDENING TIPS

by Mike Bruce

Winterizing our southern lawns in Eden Isles is very important. Using a high potash fertilizer before the first hard freeze will protect your root system from freezing and enable your lawn to spring back quicker in spring.

If you are wanting color in your flower beds for winter, think pansies. Pansies will blossom all winter and through April and May, and freezing weather will not affect them. They like sunny, well-drained locations. Blood meal is an excellent pansy fertilizer.

Fall is a great time for planting trees and shrubs. Always use a root stimulator when planting them, and always mulch heavily and keep them well watered to protect from freezing.

Remember that plants, gardening tools, and gardening books make excellent gifts for your gardening friends.

Happy gardening and a happy holiday season to all. Let's keep Eden Isles green and growing!

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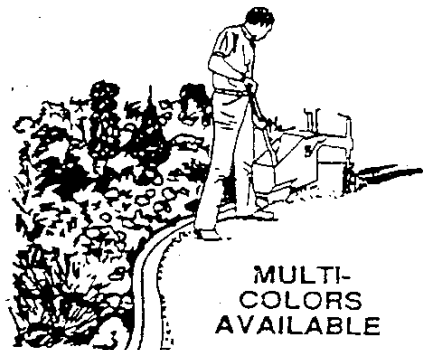
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