

A Message From
Our President... **ELIZABETH S. HOFFMANN**

Hello Friends & Neighbors. Can you believe it? Holidays are here already... Wow. We must REALLY be having fun cuz time sure has flown by.

This upcoming meeting will be a fun filled one. We'll have a brief business meeting, nomination and election of officers for 2009, but then we'll let the good times roll... Cash bar, food, music, dancing, karaoke, door prizes and fun. Come, let's enjoy each others company and celebrate our beautiful community. All residents are welcome. Come, join the festivities.

This is an enchanting time of year and I'm so pleased that our beautiful subdivision is looking so good.

GENERAL MEETING

&

HOLIDAY PARTY

TUESDAY

DECEMBER 2, 2008

NORTHSHORE HARBOR CENTER

7:00 PM

BRIEF BUSINESS MEETING WITH

ELECTION OF 2009

OFFICERS

PARTY TO FOLLOW

Our common areas/parks look great. Storm debris has finally been picked up, our front sign, damaged in Gustav, is scheduled for repair and soon will sport holiday decorations. Our neighbors are becoming more aware about parking violations and abiding by the rules. Although we still have far to go, we've been promised that 2009 will bring about the walking/bike path for Eden Isles Blvd., and IF we are able to keep this forward motion we'll be able to landscape each area and just maybe sport new street signs.

There are still issues that stay in the back of our minds like flood control. Let's not bury our heads in the sand, and expect that somebody else will do it. Let's join forces with the other HOAs and let our officials hear from us. This HOA can't do it alone but we can together. When I say there is strength in numbers I MEAN it. Mr. Obama knew it. His campaign strategy was "just a little from everyone" and look what he was able to accomplish. We can incorporate that as well.... If everyone would give their fair share and join the HOA, we would be a subdivision unstoppable. Many of the other HOA dues are included in the water bills, my hope is one day to have our covenants updated, enforced, and our dues structure made mandatory. Look out world here we are. Remember the Santa boat parade is slotted for December 13, 2008 bundle up and enjoy, let them know how much we appreciate them.

Please come and enjoy the festivities this Tuesday, December 2, 2008 at the Harbor Center. I promise not to sing. I send you wishes for a happy, healthy, and blessed holiday season. Thank you for your support.

Fondly,


Liz Samuel Hoffmann, *President 2006-2008 EIHOA.*

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Crime Statistics for Eden Isles:

Crime statistics are posted on Wednesday of each week. Statistics for any city limit boundary do not reflect reports made to local city police departments.

Incident Type:	Last 7 days:	Last 6 Weeks	This Year (to date)	Last Year
Assault	-	-	8	13
Bomb	-	-	-	-
Burglary	-	1	12	19
Burglary - Vehicle	-	2	9	15
Car Jacking	-	-	-	-
Criminal Mischief	-	-	15	3
Death - Investigation	-	1	5	6
Domestic	-	-	5	22
Drug Violations	-	-	4	10
Fire	-	-	-	-
Juvenile	-	-	1	-
Kidnapping	-	-	-	-
Missing Persons	-	-	2	-
Rape	-	-	-	1
Recovered Property	-	-	-	1
Recovered Stolen Vehicles	-	-	-	1
Robbery	-	-	-	-
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Theft	-	2	22	40
Theft - Vehicle	-	3	10	11
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Thank you for your email. I have been involved with these issues for many years and many of the points you raise are correct. If you will indulge me I would like to provide some background information. Forgive me if you already know this.

When the Lake Pontchartrain and vicinity Hurricane Protection Project was originally authorized in 1965, it provided for the construction of gated structures at the Rigolets and the Chef Passes that would be closed in the event of a hurricane. This would keep the surge from the gulf out of Lake Pontchartrain. A lawsuit brought by Save Our Wetlands resulted in a Federal injunction that stopped construction of the barrier structures in 1977. After 8 years of litigation the Corps agreed not to construct the structures but instead to raise the levees on the south shore. Now this removed any benefits that the north shore would have received from the gated structures at the Rigolets and the Chef Passes, however, in public meetings and in written correspondence the leadership and the general public on the northshore expressed to the Federal government that they did not desire or need the barrier structures nor did they want to participate financially in a project that they perceived only was designed to protect New Orleans and Jefferson Parish. So in 1985 the Corps reformulated the project to build the higher levees on the south shore instead of the structures at the rigolets and the Chef Passes. As I recall the opposition to the structure was led by Rep Ed Soggins of Slidell.

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Of course we all are aware of the devastation of Katrina and the impacts that storm had on the north shore. Correctly sized barriers could have reduced these damages but I want to make sure that you understand that there still is a lot of water in the lake that could cause flooding on the north shore even with the Rigolets and Chef structures in place. The damages would likely be much less however.

At present, the corps is preparing a report to Congress (LACPR - Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration) that is once again looking at many alternatives, one of which is a barrier/weir system that would run from high ground on the east side of Slidell and extending across the Rigolets and Chef and connecting with the South shore. We are nearing completion of this report and hopefully Congress will get it in 2009. Congress has only funded the report. They have not authorized or funded construction. The only construction that Congress is paying for is the 100-year effort that is underway on the south shore and is scheduled for completion in 2011. this cost of over \$14 billion is to be cost shared by the State of LA and that local match is around \$1.7 billion to be paid over 30 years. Any additional work would likely have to be cost shared as well.

I do appreciate and share your deep concern. The north shore is vulnerable to hurricane surge flooding.

Written By: Alfred C. Naomi, US Army Corps of Engineers

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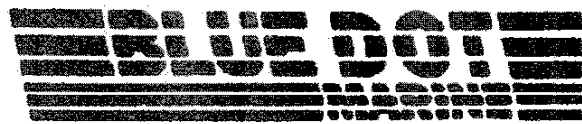
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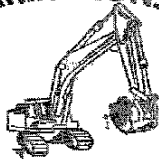


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2 tablespoons butter
 2 tablespoons olive oil
 One (1) 2.5 - 3 lbs of pumpkin, butternut or acorn squash, peeled, seeded and cut into 1" cubes
 2 tablespoons sugar
 1/2 cup chicken broth
 1/4 cup white wine
 Salt & pepper
 4-6 tablespoons diced shallots or 1 medium onion
 1 clove garlic
 6 tablespoons butter
 Sprinkle of fresh grated nutmeg
 1 tablespoon minced sage
 2 teaspoon tarragon
 2 teaspoon lemon juice
 2 teaspoon chives
 2 tablespoon fresh chopped parsley
 1 lb pasta
 2 ounces parmesan cheese

Cooking Instructions:

Over medium heat, melt butter and oil. Place squash in a single layer in pan. Without stirring, cook squash approximately 6 minutes. Gently stir squash, cooking for an additional 2-3 minutes. Add sugar, broth, wine, salt and pepper. Cover and cook for 2-3 minutes. Transfer to a large bowl. Saute shallots in 6 tbs butter. Add nutmeg, sage, tarragon and chives. Off heat, add lemon juice, parsley, salt and pepper and squash. Cook pasta, reserving 1/2 cup of pasta water. Toss with squash. Add parmesan and serve.

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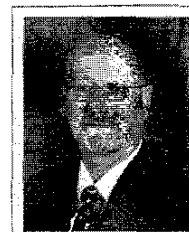
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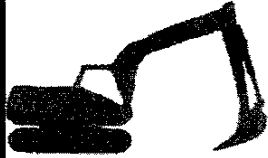
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