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The Board of Directors of the Eden Isles Homeowners' Assoc., Inc. looks forward to a very promising year in the community of Eden Isles. This year will bring about one big change with the planned opening in October of the I-10 interchange. The interchange will bring changes, most for the good, but one thing in particular must be dealt with and that is the extra security needed at the new guard post. Your Board will be doing everything in its power to assure that this service is provided.

The Board is also working on a park/playground, fire station, streets repaired, drains unstopped, lots cut and is seriously looking into sponsoring several youth programs. All of the above take time, talent and money, but if we take the attitude that all of these things can be done, then they will. The only thing really lacking then is you to volunteer your time and talent to make Eden Isles, not only the prettiest and most desirable place to live, but the most fun place also. We all look forward to working with each and everyone of you this year.

Please join YOUR Association. Dues are \$10.00 per year. Mail checks to Eden Isles Homeowners Assoc. Inc., 100 Eden Isles Dr., Slidell, La. 70458. We're waiting to hear from you.

LANDMARK DEVELOPMENT PLANS TO BE UNVEILED

On Monday, Jan 25th Landmark Land Development Co., Inc. invited the Eden Isles Homeowners Assoc., Inc. Board of Directors and a person from the Eden Isles Business District to a meeting to unveil their plans for their undeveloped area on the west side of I-10. This was a sneak preview and these plans have not been shown publicly yet and will not be until the Eden Isles residents are allowed to see them at a meeting to be held on Feb 23rd at the Salmen High School Cafeteria.

This presentation is being sponsored by the Eden Isles Homeowners Assoc., Inc. We urge all of you to come to this meeting and have many of your questions answered.

CREW OF BILGE

On February ^{13th}~~6th~~ at noon in the Eden Isles Canals one of the top 20 attractions in the South will sail. Come out and see Crew of Bilge this year.

The following will be in the court:

Marieha Coumou - Queen
 Denese Drewes
 Shawn Verges
 Janette Coullard
 Sherri Gozalez
 Wanda Michel
 Danielle Carey
 Lauren Nunez
 Shelly Meadows
 Rodney Nunez

An after parade party will be held at the Glitter - \$5.00 per head admission, all are welcome.

Membership in the Crew of Bilge is open, fee is \$125.00 per year. If interested contact the Drewes.

MARCH 8, 1988 - "SUPER TUESDAY"

Tuesday, March 8, has been dubbed "Super Tuesday" because it is the date of the presidential preference primaries through the south. Every registered voter should be aware that this election is not an "open" primary such as we have been used to over the past several years. Rather, it is a "Closed Party" primary, that is only registered democrats may vote for a Democratic Presidential Candidate; only registered Republicans may vote for a Republican Presidential Candidate; and those registered voters who have not listed a party preference or who are registered as independent or other party may Not Vote for a presidential candidate at all.

If you are a registered democrat and wish to "cross-over" and vote for a Republican Presidential candidate you must change your party designation. If you are not registered to vote in Precinct 9 Ward 9 (Eden Isles residents vote at Salman High School) or wish to change your party affiliation you must go in person to the Registrar's Office which is located in the annex next to the Slidell City Hall by the Friday February 12 deadline.

The facts are, on March 8 only Democrats may vote for Democrats, Republicans for Republicans and those registered as independent not at all because they have no party affiliation. Suppose a registered Democrat wants to vote for George Bush or Pat Robertson on March 8. The only way that they can do that is to switch party affiliation to Republican by the February 12 deadline. Likewise if a Republican wishes to vote for Gary Hart or Jesse Jackson they must change their party affiliation by the February deadline.

If you are not sure of how you registered your party affiliation when you registered you may call or go by the "Registrar of Voters" office, telephone # 646-4125 and they will look it up for you. It will be too late on March 8 when you're at the polls to find out that you can't vote for your candidate because you're not registered with your candidates party affiliation.

To register to vote or change your party affiliation done not take but a few minutes but it does take your time.

A. K. Wilson, Commissioner-in-charge
Precinct 9-Ward 9, 641-4747

EDEN ISLES SECURITY

Clarence Mullet has been elected as new head of the security committee. A few more people are needed to work on the security committee and assist in making some of the decisions that will affect all of us. Those interested please call Clarence at 643-2226.

The Eden Isles Home Owners Security Account was audited by the auditing committee and was in balance as of Dec. 31, 1987. Surplus funds of \$3,690.17 were transferred to the new security committee.

With the opening of the second guard gate scheduled for Oct. 88, the operating cost will double. If you know of anyone not yet supporting the guard service please encourage them to give their fair share in keeping Eden Isles secure.

FIRE STATION FOR EDEN ISLES?

Last year the Board of Directors met with Landmark corporate management and persuaded them to set aside property for a fire station in Eden Isles. After meeting with the Fire Chief and Comm. Stafford Part, two lots were selected on Highway 11 on the north side of the Commodore Apartments. This site, measuring 120 x 200', would allow fire engines to respond north and south along Highway 11, but also have access to the Eden Isles subdivision and I-10 via the parkway that is presently under construction.

Proposals were presented to Fire District No. 1 to purchase various properties on the south end of Slidell and after several meetings and a public hearing the first week of January, the general consensus was to place the next station built on the Eden Isles site. However, the question remains as to when this could be accomplished and what it would cost.

Studies and ideas are being undertaken now as to what, if anything, is to be done with the Central Fire Station in Old Town Slidell and what money is needed to man the new station. As these questions are answered, we will keep you informed.

LAKESIDE TO INSTALL SECOND PUMP

Been experienceing low water pressure lately? Well, those problems should be fixed us soon.

Lakeside Utilities, Inc. recently had their one and only pump on the water system go out and it had to be completely rebuilt. During this period of time the water pressure was obviously very low and this brought up the question as to why the system did not have a back up pump? Well, thanks to a couple of diligent residents and several Board members petitioning the Public Service Commission and Lakeside Utilities, this problem is being rectified.

Let's give a big hand to Lakeside for realizing the seriousness of the problem and agreeing to put in a backup pump system. This system will take over should the main pump ever go out again and it will help pump more water into the tank during non-peak consumption hours.

GRASS CUTTING

Thanks to Nell Forstall, John and Helen Offith, June Erickson and Pat Murphy for the hard work that made 1987 a successful year for cutting empty lots. We hope to improve our performance this year. A newly passed parish ordinance prohibiting overgrown lots, trash and discarded building materials, etc. should prove helpful to our efforts to clean up Eden Isles. We will offer a package of 4 cuttings for \$65.00 per lot for 1988. If you live next to an empty lot please dispose of any discarded material you have deposited there and remove any obstacles to the mowing machines. Let's all pitch in to clean up our neighborhood in 1988. For information on getting lots cut, call Robert Tassin at 641-5864.

HELP! HELP! HELP!

Needed - Volunteers to help circulate our newsletters. Please call Norma Hastings 643-1831.

CAUTION: NO MORE OPEN BURNING!

The Parish Police Jury passed on Ordinance in 1987 that bans all open burning within 1000 feet of an occupied dwelling. Please folks, let's stop burning our trash. Not only is it irritating to your neighbors, but it is now AGAINST THE LAW!

WATER AND TRASH

Commencing in February, Lakeside Utilities and American Waste will team up for single billing of those who switch to American Waste. Once you have signed up with American Waste, your trash and water bill will be combined and you need make only one payment to Lakeside Utilities. If You have not yet received a form from American Waste, and you wish to utilize this service, drop by Lakeside Utilities and they will furnish you with one. You can also call American Waste at 643-7784.

UNIT 3 AND 4 ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS ELECTED FOR 1988

Newly elected members of the Eden Isles Architectural Control Committee for Units 3 and 4 are: Esther Kalstrom (Chairman), Calvin Quatroy, Sharon Barker, Bob Michel and A. J. Woniger. Property owners are reminded that the Covenant for these units require that plans for new homes, additions, fences, boat docks and decks must be submitted to the Committee for approval prior to construction. Call the Committee Secretary, Betty Stewart, at 643-5222 for applications or further information.



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TID BITS - BY MARILYN

Questions, Complaints, Suggestions, and Thankyous. Call or send yours to: Marilyn (643-3125), 177 Moonraker Dr.

- 1) Wish whoever is painting the curbs and streets with spray paint would please stop and think how unattractive obscenities make our neighborhood.
- 2) There must be a better place to throw beer cans, oil jugs, beer bottles, or empty out ashtrays than in our streets and lots.
- 3) The effort to keep the speed down on our streets is very appreciated!
- 4) How beautiful the Mardi Gras decorations look at the entrance!
- 5) Please remember there are stop signs on Eden Isles Drive at the Moonraker and Windward Passage turn offs.
- 6) Suggest that all Joggers and Walkers be very careful to stay near the curb and to wear reflectors if exercising in the evening or early in the morning.
- 7) It's so wonderful not to have to avoid the pot holes that have been filled on some of our streets. Just a few more and we'll have perfection!
- 8) Wishing a wonderful New Year, Happy Valentine's Day and Festive Mardi Gras to all.
- 9) To last years Board of Directors and committee members a job well done! And welcome to the new members just starting. Please let us know about others that live here that deserve a "pat on the back". (Don't forget the children who do noteworthy things!)

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MOONRAKER FISHING

Moonraker Lake is full of fish. If you ask some key people you might be able to find out about the favorite spots. Don forget Moonraker Lake is a private Lake for Eden Isles use only. (The fish won't bite for strangers) So for all of you who can't make it to the big lake - try Moonraker.

CLASSIFIED ADS - FOR SALE

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"EDEN ISLES FIRST COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE"

The tree seemed to be a big hit with everyone this past Christmas and will be an annual affair from now on. In 1988 the Homeowners' Assoc., has agreed to hold an ornament contest among our young people - More to come on this later!

Oh yeah, almost forgot. Many thanks to Beth Gibson and Rebecca Weil for the homemade ornaments and especially to Beth for decorating and maintaining the tree. Ornaments that won't blow off and break are not easy to come by, so again a big thanks!

EDEN ISLES SPIRIT

Neighborhood Decorations? In order for everyone to get into the spirit of the various holidays, decorations will appear on or around the Guard House this year. Anyone wanting to contribute their talents, please contact Milton Gibson 641-6971.

SEA SCOUTS

Children interested in forming a Sea Scout Unit and parents wishing to get involved With Sea Scouting contact John Erichson.

FEBRUARY CALANDAR OF EVENTS

13th
6th Crew of Bilge Parade and Party
10th Garden Club meeting
12th Last Day to register for Primary Election
23rd Special Homeowners' Assoc. Meeting

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EDEN ISLES GARDEN CLUB

The Eden Isles Garden Club for years has maintained the circle of flowers and plants in front of the guard house, and will continue to do so in order to have an attractive entrance to our subdivision. Our aim is to learn more about flowers and plants that will grow well in our bad soil. We will gladly share our knowledge with other Islanders upon request. Our Club meets once each month at a member's home. For this reason we have a limited membership, but we will be glad to establish a waiting list.

In January each year the Club gives away two trees in honor of Arbor Day. Registration for these trees is by telephone. This year's winners were Joy Leto and Julia Lareite.

Our next meeting is Wed, Feb 10.

FIRE INSURANCE RATINGS FOR EDEN ISLES

Recently, the city of Slidell received a fire insurance rating reduction from class 6 to class 4. However, the Eden Isles subdivision was left out of this rating reduction. The Board has undertaken an investigation to discover why.

Since the ratings are based on several things: Profeciency of Fire Department and personnel, response time and water pressure, etc. We contacted Fire Chief Ed Popple to find out what factors kept the Eden Isles Subdivision out of this reduction. According to Chief Popple, the Fire Department passed, the response time to Eden Isles is satisfactory and we passed the water pressure test.

After meeting with Chief Popple and Fire District No. 1 Administrator Stafford Port, they agreed that the Eden Isles Community should be rated class 4 and that they would be meeting with the insurance rating board to discuss why we were not included in this rating and would request that Eden Isles be included.

Will let you know what the outcome is as soon as Chief Popple gets the word. Keep your fingers crossed folks, this could make a big difference in many of our insurance payments.

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NEW ARRIVALS IN EDEN ISLES

Each month we would like to welcome newcomers to the area. If you know of anyone who has recently arrived, please contact Marilyn or George at 643-3125.

LOCAL YOUTH AND STUDENT NEWS

Needed, information on the happenings during the month at the local schools. Also events that youth feel would be of interest to other youths. Call Marilyn or George prior to the 25th of each month at 643-3125.

ABNEY ELEMENTARY

With the end of January, the faculty and students of Abney Elementary bid farewell Mr. Ed Cross, Head Custodian, who

retired after 23 years of service to the school.

February 4, 1988 is Abney Day at Schwegmans Supermarket. Parents, Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles can shop from 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM, register with the Abney volunteers posted at each entrance, and leave their receipt. The school will receive a percentage of all sales to those affiliated with the school.

The next PTA general meeting will be held on February 25th (Thursday) at 7:00 PM. Guest Speaker will be Joanna Barnes, MS, who will discuss the topic, "How to Talk so Kids will Listen and Listen so Kids will Talk."

EDEN ISLES U.S.A.

Eden Isles USA T-shirts and caps can be seen and purchased at Lofland Yachts or you can contact Milton Gibson at 641-6971. Lets all support our community, show others where you live.

