

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Jim Cunningham

A big THANK YOU goes out to our members who have renewed their membership and a heartfelt welcome to our new members who have just joined the Eden Isles Homeowners' Association.

This is a great start toward our goal of 100% active members. There are approximately 1100 homes in our neighborhood and each one receives the full attention from your Board that has been selected to serve Eden Isles. To date we have 465 members who have paid their membership. We need all of you to become active members.

A strong membership gives your Board the strength to get the due recognition from our elected officials at all levels and the means to continue with the activities expected of the Board by our residents. Eden Isles is a wonderful community and we can make it even better through the power of unity.

The Homeowners' dues request has caused some confusion. Perhaps this will help.

- 1) The Basic dues to be an Active member are \$20.00/year
- 2) The costs to keep the Boulevard and 'green area' cut are \$35.00/year
- 3) The legal fund contribution is \$ 20.00/year

The basic dues are to support Eden Isles community activities such as the 'Islander' newsletter, the EIHOA.COM web site, the security cameras at the guardhouses, the 'night(s) out against crime' meetings and the water quality testing. Just to name some of the major expenses.

The Green Force dues pay the grass cutters for keeping all the common areas cut.

The legal contributions are for legal funds required to protect the covenants of Eden Isles.

Every resident gets the 'Islander'. You are reading it now. If you have not supported your community, please do it now. Your Board is working for you right now even without your support if you have not sent in your membership dues. BUT, we can do much more for you and everyone else if YOU will support us.

ABC's Sports announcer Ed Daniels to speak at the next homeowners' meeting.

HOMEOWNERS MEETING

Tuesday, May 28, 2002

Tammany Yacht Club

7:00 PM

YOUR PROPERTY RIGHTS ARE UNDER ATTACK!!!

Would you like to have a barn built next to your house? Can you imagine the canal behind your house being filled with piers extending 30 feet into the water? How about an auto repair shop next door?

This neighborhood is in danger of having these horrors come to pass **UNLESS YOU ACT NOW!** A neighborhood architectural committee has challenged the erection of two docks in our neighborhood that **BLATANTLY** violate our covenants. The attorneys representing those residents have asked the judge hearing the matter to rule that Eden Isles has **ABANDONED IT'S COVENANTS**. If they succeed, the potential for anyone building **ANYTHING** they want in the neighborhood will become the rule of law.

Eden Isles is a premiere waterfront community in St. Tammany Parish. We stand at one of the gateways to the North Shore. We need to maintain our unique way of life and the standards of our community. The Eden Isles Homeowners' Association urges you to support your community in an effort to maintain your property values.

Send a message to the attorneys that want to destroy your covenants by making a contribution to the Association's **LEGAL FUND**. Stand up and be counted! We have **NOT** abandoned our covenants! Let them know that we want **OUR** way of life maintained: That we want our **PROPERTY** values maintained; and that we are a community that **WILL** stick together!

Twenty dollars per resident will buy a whole lot of legal power there are mailboxes at the entrances to the neighborhood where you can leave your contribution **OR** you can mail them to the association at P.O. Box 2746 Slidell, LA 70459.

WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE BOARD?

Something new for the Islander

This is a new addition to the 'Islander' This will be a column updating you on the items covered at the Eden Isles Homeowners' Association Board meetings. Your input and comments are welcome. You may send them to PO Box 2746, Slidell LA, 70459 or e-mail to edenisleshoa@yahoo

May 5, 2002 meeting GUARD HOUSES

The Highway 11 guardhouse damage caused by an automobile running into it is repaired. The repairs are covered by the driver's insurance.

Both guardhouses are requiring additional maintenance over the normal routine items. Termite prevention is being considered. We have looked at a bid from JayRoy for both houses. We will be seeking additional bids.

It is recommended that the bushes growing in back of the guardhouse be cut away from the building to facilitate treatment plans.

The water fountains at the Hwy 11 entrance are to be repaired (requires someone who can weld aluminum) and put back on duty.

EDEN ISLES BOULEVARD

The weeds growing along the curb is unsightly and should be removed. How to do it?

1) Can't use a string trimmer because of possible damage to property.

2) Can't use 'roundup' because it might run into the canals

3) The Board will buy a heavy-

duty sprayer and spray vinegar on them. The sprayer will be used for this purpose only. The money will come from the Green Force fund

Any suggestions from you folks will be appreciated.

FUND RAISING

The Board is looking for ideas that will encourage our neighbors participation and raise some money for the Association. **YOUR IDEAS, PLEASE.**

COASTAL WATER LIFT STATIONS ON THE BOULEVARD

Coastal has bought the paint for the lift stations. We have agreed to paint them, however, there is no water at these stations for a pressure washer so that the old loose paint can be removed. The coastal Pressure washer is designed to flush our sewer lines and would knock the building down. Still looking for a solution.

CHARTER CABLE (Old Business)

Charter had left a lot of unfinished work at various locations after completing their cable updates. I contacted Charter Corporate offices and they responded immediately. Mr. Eddie Barnes (Charter Field Manager) responded and personally saw to it that all the work items identified were fixed. I drove the area after he finished and everything looked good. Let us know if you find anything out of place concerning Charter.

That's it for the month.

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE REPORT

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

"No construction on any lot shall be permitted without written approval of the Eden Isles Architectural Committee." (Section 1. paragraph 1)

LAND USE AND BUILDING TYPE

"Boat houses will be subject to the approval of the Architectural Committee," (section 3, paragraph 4)

Recently, one of our new residents proceeded with construction of a boat house without approval of the Architectural Committee, and without securing a construction permit from the St. Tammany Permit Office. This is of course contrary to the Reservations, Restrictions and Conditions of Eden Isles Covenants. (excerpts above) The Contractor for the project wrongly advised the owner that A PERMIT WAS NOT NEEDED FOR THIS TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION. Needless to say, St Tammany Code Enforcement closed down the job until proper approval from the Architectural Committee was secured. This bad advice caused the owner necessary delay in completing the project as well as the inconvenience on the part of the owner in securing the proper parish permit. If every Eden Isles Homeowner, prior to commencing construction, would follow the proper permit procedure and secure the written approval from the Architectural Committee, there would have been no need to initiate legal proceedings against two of our residents who have built boathouses into the canals beyond the new relaxed extension of 12 feet.

These law suits are costly but unnecessary in order to maintain property values in our subdivision. Let us hope and pray the Judge rules in favor of the Architectural Committee and the law abiding citizens of the Eden Isles. If the Judge rules against us, what he will ultimately do, will be to destroy the integrity of the Reservations Restrictions and Conditions of the Covenants there by rendering this Community helpless and at the mercy of any self serving, inconsiderate resident that will not conform to the RULE OF LAW.

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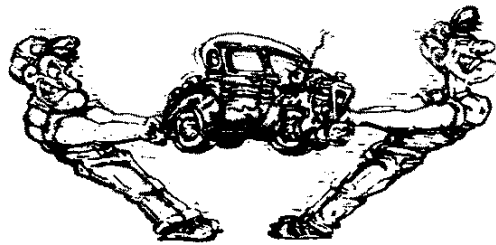
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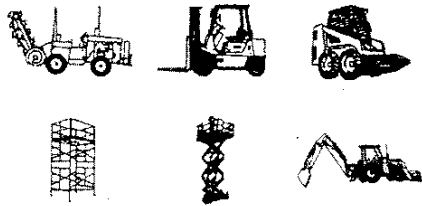
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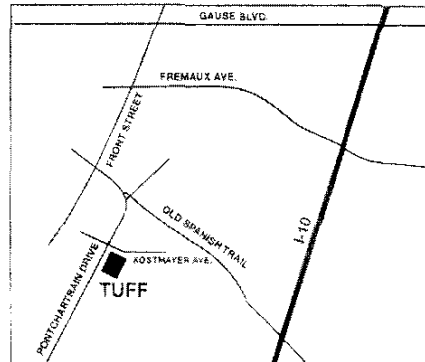
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You can win a complimentary paid membership in the Homeowners' Association just by attending the Associations' General Membership meeting. The winner will be determined by a random drawing at the meeting. If the winner has already paid their membership and Greenforce fees, the Greenforce fees and membership fees will be refunded. This is a \$55.00 value

See You At The Meeting

SCOTT COLLINS DONATES HAND CARVED ROUX PADDLE

Scott Collins is donating a beautiful hand carved roux paddle for the door prize at the Next General Homeowners' Association meeting May 28, at the Yacht Club Starting at 7:00 PM

Scott has carved this paddle from Cypress and has oiled it with a food safe mineral oil. It is signed and dated by Scott. The paddle will be on display at the sign in table. You may be the lucky winner, however, you must be at the meeting to have a chance of winning.

TAX TIP by
M. Dale Wood, Jr., CPA, MS*
(*-in Taxation)

Are several family members helping to support a relative? One of the family members may be able to claim an exemption for that relative. Ask your tax advisor about a **MULTIPLE SUPPORT AGREEMENT**. The additional exemption could reduce yours or a family members tax bill.

ARTICLES

THIS IS YOUR NEWSLETTER! If you would like for the Association to publish your article in the newsletter, call the **HOTLINE** at 781-0091.

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DID YOU KNOW - "liquid products can't be put into a landfill. If you have old cleaning supplies, garden chemicals or other leftovers, either use them or let them evaporate before tossing the containers in the trash. If you choose to let products evaporate, be sure to keep all containers out of the reach of children and pets." -from the LSU Ag Center newsletter.

If you have left over paint from a project, you can fill the can with cat litter or sand and once the liquid has been absorbed you can then place it in the trash. If the paint is still in a liquid state, the crushing movement on the garbage truck will break open the can and it will leak out onto the roadway (example on Windward passage - still there after 2 years). Also - many gasoline stations (particularly those that change oil, etc.) will take your used oil (if you change it yourself) at no cost. That is a better way to get rid of it than dumping it down the storm drains (which go into the canals)

DEFACING A STOP SIGN IS ILLEGAL AND DANGEROUS

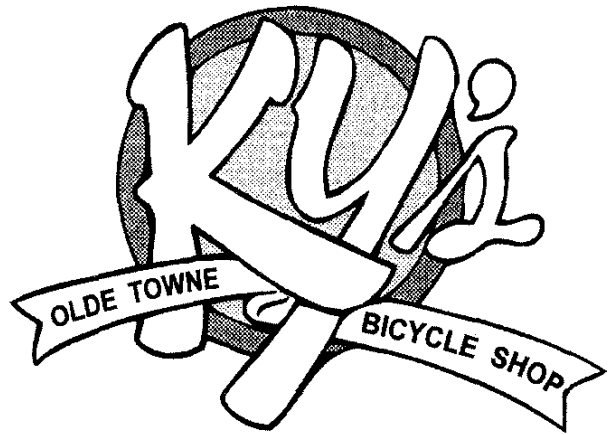
It helps to advertise your garage sale or when looking for a lost pet. In the case of a lost pet it can be very stressful, and you want to notify as many people as possible, as quickly as possible, so you print up notices and post them around the neighborhood. Occasionally people tape their notices across the face of STOP signs without thinking of the consequences. This practice is dangerous; it diminishes the usefulness of the sign as a traffic control device, and could cause a serious traffic accident.

In addition, defacing a STOP sign is illegal, punishable by fine and/or imprisonment as contained in Section 1-008.00 of the Code of Ordinances of St. Tammany Parish Louisiana (Ord. No 177, Bk. 3, P. 118; and Ord. No. 425, Bk. 7, P. 198; amended by Ord. No. 88-947, adopted 05/19/88) Your neighbors recognize the importance of finding a lost pet, and they want to help, but not at the risk of causing a traffic accident. STOP signs are not billboards. Please attach your notices to something other than the face of a STOP sign.

CRIME REPORT

The crime report from the St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office for March 8th through May 15th is as follows"

Traffic stops	15
Reckless driving	5
General complaint	3
Resident burglary	1
Forgery	0
Theft	6
Suspicious per/car	2
Thefts from auto	1
Criminal damage	7
Fire	20
Medical emergency	8
Fireworks	0
18 Wheeler	0
Missing person	0
Deaths	1



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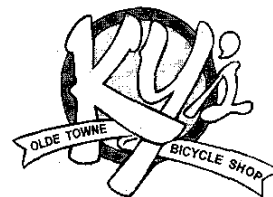
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Garden Club

by June Collins

There is no doubt about it - Old Man Winter has left the building (along with Elvis) very early this year. I hope a few of you had a chance to go to the Mississippi Gulf Coast during the "Pilgrimage". It is always a great way to spend a day (or days) strolling the gardens of the various regions along the coast, from Bay St. Louis to Biloxi. This year it was during the 2nd week of March. If you didn't get a chance to go this year, try to make it next year. It doesn't cost a penny and isn't a waste of time.

At the end of March, during Art in Bloom at NOMA, our Yvon Molinary was awarded a second place ribbon for her floral interpretation of "Insect Bird". We are very proud of Yvon. On Friday, March 22nd, eleven members went to NOMA to see the floral exhibits and ended the trip at Café Degas for lunch.

Four members of the garden club selected the winners of the Yard of the Month for April. The judges were very surprised to learn the winning house, at 173 Pebble Beach, was a member of the garden club. The other winners were 217 Ranger Place and 208 Intrepid.

Our April meeting was at the home of Edwana Bourgeois, co-hostesses were Jamie Cefolia, Nunny Levis and Linda Palisi. The setting and the food were just perfect for a garden club meeting (the bread pudding was out of this world). Juanita Gibbs donated two beautiful orchids to be given away at the meeting.

Bright and early on Saturday, April 6th, members of the club gathered to weed the entrances and get them ready for Spring. The work went fast and the entrances look good once again. How about your Yard? Mine needs to be weeded also.

I sure hope you went to the Slidell Council of Garden Clubs annual flower show at the Slidell Auditorium on April 11th. Eden Isles had great fun again this year. We won 1st place ribbons for all four of our designs. Marlene Maylon won 2 blue ribbons for her duo design in the duo design category "The Enchanted Frog...and the Charming Prince". Mary Faught won a blue for her entry in "Mermaids" (an underwater design) and Yvon Molinary won a blue for her spatial design "Flight of Pegasus". Yvon's design also won the people's choice award and the designer's choice award. Juanita Gibbs' orchids won the collector showcase award and she also won the individual exhibitor award and an award of merit. And, as a club, we won the club sweepstakes and the Mayor's Sweepstakes. All in all, not a bad day.

Eleven Members went on the April field trip taking in three of the River Road Plantations. We visited the San Francisco, Tezcuco and Houmas House Plantations - and of course had lunch.

The winners of the May Yard of the Month judging were: First place - 118 Blackfin Cove, second place - 114 Chubasco Lane, and third place - 204 Ibtrepid.

To finish the year, for the first time in many years, we scheduled a tour of six of our own member's gardens. Pam White, Nell Forstall, Beverly Chauffe, Linda Hoth, Edwana Bourgeois, and Juanita Gibbs were gracious enough to allow us to wander their yards and truly appreciate how much time and energy they had spent in making the yards beautiful. Twenty-four of our members took advantage of an absolutely gorgeous day, cool and sunny. We could not have programmed more perfect weather.

We finished the day with a lunch at the home of the new President, Ann Courrage. What a terrific year.

As we go to press" the club will have one remaining function for this year. We will be hostesses for the Slidell Council of Garden Club's installation luncheon on May 22nd at Dunaway's Restaurant.

Please try to remember to water your lawns and flowers during the summer in the early morning because, if you wait until noon or after, you will lose much of the water due to evaporation. And, quite frankly, we have enough humidity. Speaking of watering, I would ask the fine folks who live on Eden Isles Blvd. to please take a bucket of water out to the "new" trees every so often this summer to help them get through the long, hot summer. Thanks.

Be sure to prune your azaleas, if needed, by the end of June to preserve next years flower buds. If you need reliable flowers in a sunny location, consider periwinkles. They require minimal irrigation. Planting them in May or early June gives the plants a good start on root development before it gets too hot. The Pacifica series of periwinkles have been some of the top performers in the LSU AgCenter trials.

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As the song says - "We'll see you in September". Have a good Summer. Till next time....June Collins



Wylene Heatherly and Betty Newman



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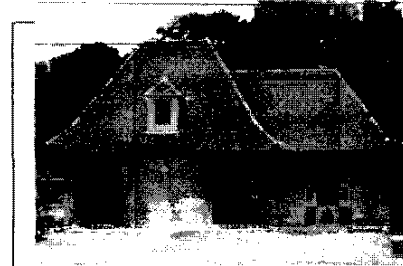
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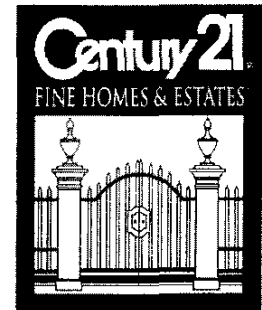
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2. Never leave children near the water unattended.
3. Appoint a "designated watcher" to protect children during social gatherings near the water.
4. Do not leave toys near the water; they can attract young children to the water.
5. Do not consider young children to be drown-proof because they have had swimming lessons.
6. Instruct babysitters about water hazards.
7. Keep a flotation device handy that you can through to someone in trouble.
8. Learn CPR. Babysitters and other caretakers, such as grandparents and older siblings, should also know CPR.
9. Barnacles along the bulkhead and pilings are very sharp and can cut like a razor.
10. Have a dog ramp. Tragically, every year several dogs fall into our waterways and drown. If you have a dog please build a dog ramp.

Summer Time is Here, Remember Your Neighborhood Etiquette

1. Don't throw trash (including grass clippings) in the waterways or on the street.
2. Don't play music loudly or late at night, remember sound travels long distances over the water.
3. Don't make a wake when traveling in your boat.
4. Don't allow your pets to wander freely throughout the subdivision.
5. Don't store your boat, boat trailer, or recreational vehicle on the street or common grounds.
6. Maintain your property in good condition.

Keep Our Waterways Pollution Free By:

1. Take precautions when using pesticides for lawn and pest control
2. Don't pour items down the street storm drains, they drain directly into the waterways
3. If you have a dog or cat, pick up their feces, bag it and place in garbage
4. Do not over feed the ducks
5. If you see rubbish in the water, fish it out
6. Place grass clippings in bags not our waterways
7. Instruct your lawn care person not to blow clippings into the water
8. Remember don't swim in the waterways for several days after a heavy rain!

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If your streetlight is out call CLECO at 1-800-622-6537 and report it.

Biography

This article is for the purpose of introducing to you our neighborhood U. S. Veterans who have served in the United States Military during World War II, Korea, Vietnam, the Gulf and Afghanistan conflicts. We want to recognize and give thanks to the men and women who have given so much in defending our freedom and preserving the American way of life. With this introductory article, these Veterans will subsequently be featured in each Eden Islander News Letter published bi-monthly.

HENRY SARDENGA, Chief, U. S. Naval Air. Henry was Born on January 16, 1918 in New Orleans. He joined the Navy Reserve in 1936 and was called to active duty in 1942 shortly after the attack on Pearl Harbor. Henry's Specialty was Aviation Mechanics. Assigned to Admiral Nimitz flight wing number two, he accumulated four hundred fifty five hours of aircraft flying time during his tour of duty in the South Pacific that lasted the entire War ending in 1945. The Korean conflict again called Henry to another tour of duty where he served as an aircraft mechanic instructor from 1951 to 1953. Henry is now retired but still an active member of the Homeowners' Association. He lives on Moonraker Drive with his wife Frances. WE SALUTE ALL U. S. VETERANS FOR THEIR UNSELFISH DEDICATION TO AMERICA.

STATEMENT OF REVENUES COLLECTED AND EXPENSES PAID
FOR THE MONTH ENDING 04/30/02

CURR. PERIOD RATIO: NET REVENUE				
YTD RATIO.....: NET REVENUE	THIS MONTH	RATIO	4 MONTHS	RATIO
INCOME				
DUES FEES & CONTRIBUTIONS	8,134.00	99.9	31,165.00	99.9
INTEREST INCOME	11.73	0.1	43.94	0.1
TOTAL REVENUE	8,145.73	100.0	31,208.94	100.0
EXPENSES				
ACCOUNTING	200.00	2.5	1,000.00	3.2
BANK SERVICE CHARGES	0.00	0.0	28.00	0.1
CONTRACT LABOR	750.00	9.2	2,550.00	8.2
FEES	0.00	0.0	640.00	2.1
LEGAL	0.00	0.0	3,893.00	12.5
LICENSES & TAXES	0.00	0.0	125.00	0.4
OFFICE	0.00	0.0	801.31	2.6
POSTAGE	250.00	3.1	1,077.38	3.5
PRINTING	0.00	0.0	1,970.38	6.3
RENT	0.00	0.0	190.00	0.6
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	19.51	0.2	78.83	0.3
SUPPLIES	0.00	0.0	10.85	0.0
TELEPHONE	13.98	0.2	55.92	0.2
UTILITIES	64.10	0.8	305.79	1.0
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,297.59	15.9	12,726.46	40.8
NET INCOME (LOSS)	6,848.14	84.1	18,482.48	59.2

PARISH RESPONDS TO YOUR SUGGESTIONS

Repaving Eden Isles Drive should begin about the time you receive this newsletter and last about 3 weeks depending on weather. At our last homeowner's meeting several suggestions were made to improve the Eden Isles Drive repaving project. Your suggestions were forwarded to the parish engineer and although he did not agree to all of your suggestions he did agree to several. This is another example of how active involvement in YOUR Homeowners' Association works for you.

Your Suggestions:

- 1) Use striping to reduce the width of the right lane to discourage its use as a travel lane.
- 2) Place diagonal stripes in the right lane to clearly indicate it is not a travel lane.
- 3) Place roll bumps within the boundaries of the right lane to discourage its use as a travel lane.
- 4) Adjust the striping to increase the length provided for the turning lanes at Enterprise Drive and Windward Passage to improve traffic flow.

- 5) Extend the striping over the bridges to provide a walking path.
- 6) Install smaller, less intrusive, "No Passing" signs?
- 7) Make sure the contractor provides adequate access to driveways during construction.

The Parish's Response to Your Suggestions:

We can adjust the width of the right lane to discourage passing and install "No Passing" signs to help with the problem. We can also lengthen the turning lanes and stripe over the bridges to create a walking lane. The Contractor is required to provide access to all drives and streets during construction. However, there may be periods when certain drives or streets may be closed off for a few minutes to facilitate construction, such as cutting the cement, laying asphalt, etc. These periods will be short and the drives will be immediately reopened.

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