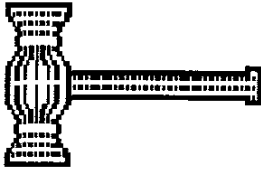


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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Half the year has come and gone now. Sometimes I feel that I just started as president of the Association, and I marvel at the nice friendships that I have made in the past months. I have received many nice words about the job that is being done. For me, this really is ample reward for the efforts that I have put into this organization. Once again we must give thanks to a few good people in return. Our thanks go out to Diane and Lee Johnson who rescued our Eden Isles Drive sign after being downed by hit and run vandals, to Jacob Elder who repaired the sign, and to Tom Gathright who fabricated poles and reinstalled the sign.

It's great to report that our membership is growing. We now have 176 families (334 people) on the roles as members. My goal for this year is 300 families. So, let's talk up membership with our next door neighbors and get them to join. If each of you would get one neighbor to join the association, we would have over 350 family members.

At every party there is always a balloon buster. Last week I received an anonymous letter from a lady on Moonraker Drive. I don't give much credence to such correspondence, primarily because I get along with others easily, listen to

their gripes, and try to give them intelligent answers. I don't bite off heads, so there is no reason to hide behind the cloak of anonymity. If this letter had not raised such serious issues, I would have ignored it, and we would not be at this point.

She writes, "Mary told me that Mel, our police juror moved from the Drive because he thought it was 'going down the tubes'. It seems like the better thing for him to have done would have been to try to help, but he says he doesn't like being police juror, so maybe he just gave up."

Well Mrs. Anonymous, tell Mary that our police juror "Milton Gibson" moved from 131 Eden Isles Drive to 406 Eden Isles Drive. What is obvious is that if Mary doesn't have her basic facts straight, how good are her conclusions? At our last meeting Milton indicated that he is definitely going to run to retain his seat on the Jury. Too many people in this subdivision put too much faith into what their neighbors say, and ignore the opportunities to find out the true facts.

Another point made by Mrs. Anonymous, "First, we are not members of the Association. The reason

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Name of Spouse: _____ Occupation: _____

All information requested is for use only by EDEN ISLES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION and none will be made available to any other organization or party. If you feel that any of the requests are of a personal nature, please write "Personal" in place of that information.

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(PRESIDENT, continued)

"We are not is because our neighbors warned us that the Association did not seem to really care about anything **IMPORTANT**. We took a 'wait and see' attitude and came to one meeting."

What is important to one person may be totally trivial to another. You must work to make an organization conform to your needs. You must take part in its operation and help make the changes that you need. Sitting back and waiting for the Homeowners Association to become what you want it to be is comparable to waiting for Mr. Anthony to ring your doorbell. Join the association and let us know what is **IMPORTANT** to you. Besides that, we've already seen how faulty neighborhood gossip can be.

She continues, "We were amazed as well as annoyed that no one seemed to care about the **REAL** problems in this subdivision, such as slobby neighbors and constant violations of the subdivision rules."

Now we're making some good points. However, the enforcement of subdivision rules is not the responsibility of the Homeowners Association. It is up to the individual owner and the Architectural Control Committees. These committees are now in place in Eden Isles Units 3 & 4, and Moonraker Phase 3. Moonraker Phase 1 & 2 (the 100 block and low 200 block of Moonraker) and Pebble Beach Drive have no control committees in place. If the Architectural Control Committees takes no action against a covenant violator, it is the responsibility of the individual to take action through to court systems. The Homeowners Association has no powers to enforce covenants. From her letter, it is obvious that Mrs. Anonymous lives in a section of Moonraker that has no Architectural Committee in place. If they want to get theirs started, we will direct them to someone that will help them.

She further defines a **REAL** Homeowners Association as, "...one concerned with preserving the market value of the homes here, one that will step in and check out whether

or not the homes Landmark is building across from us are of the proper dimensions, one that will ask for suggestions about what can be done to slow down some of the teenage vandals who are constantly racing through the streets. Also, does anybody care that the street leading up to the guard station on Oak Harbor side is so torn up and full of holes that our cars are going out of alignment every other month?

Actually she is defining a city government, police department, and streets department. How can nine people, otherwise gainfully employed, in their spare time as board members of this association, address all these issues. These are services that should be provided by our parish government for the taxes that we have been paying into it. These are factors totally beyond the scope and control of the Association. If she had been at the May meeting, she would have noted that several of these issues were discussed, and would have noted the futility that we face with our present government and police department.

She concludes, "Last, we know you are trying hard; this is not personal."

Mrs. Anonymous, I thank you, and do not take my reply as being addressed to you personally. There are over 1000 other people out there with similar thoughts and feelings. If only I can convince just a few of you that this Homeowners Association is here for your own good. I don't receive any compensation for this work, other than the satisfaction of knowing that I am doing the best that I can for a community that I hold near and dear to my heart.

Sid Mennel

**SECURITY
UPDATE**
by Marilyn Meier

We have been asked to remind residents that notices or signs regarding garage sales, lost animals, etc. are ILLEGAL if placed on Parish property, such as STOP signs, light poles or street signs. Covering up STOP signs is particularly dangerous, because if an accident should occur at an intersection where the STOP sign is covered, **YOU CAN BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ACCIDENT.**

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Please do not leave any valuables where they might be vulnerable to dockside thievery. Sad to say, but our "in-house" vandals have been trespassing on private property, cutting crab traps, and stealing tackle, tools, etc. off of the docks. The Sheriff's Department has information regarding the identity of suspects and we anticipate this problem will be resolved by the time you read about it.

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According to law enforcement agency statistics, homes equipped with security systems are 15 times less likely to be among the 6,000 homes burglarized in the United States every day.

Do-it-yourself home security systems to burglar-proof a home are now within the reach of the average consumer. Infra-red sensors, radio-frequency communications relays and both battery and solar power have made home systems affordable, adaptable and, most of all, easy to install. While they may not be as effective as professionally wired systems that can range from \$1,000 to \$3,000, in terms of deterrence for the dollar, do-it-yourself wireless systems are a great investment and are simple to install. When breached, they'll set alarms shrieking, lights flashing and, with luck, a prowler scurrying.

Motion-sensing lights are one of the easiest ways to get your system started for under \$50.

Again, law enforcement officials agree that well illuminated houses are less likely to be targets. From there, you can add a stand-alone alarm which may be designed for indoor use, or weather-proofed for outdoor installation. The trend among manufacturers today is to offer more advanced technology at a reduced cost. Integrated, multi-sensor systems with adjustable features offer the greatest protection and are most like professionally installed systems, yet may cost as little as \$200 to \$300.

EDEN ISLES RESIDENTS

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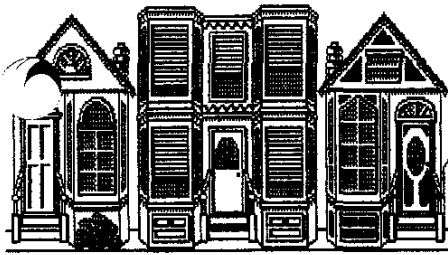
HOLLY TASSIN MARY LOU KOCH
641-5864 643-6171

MARILYN MEIER
641-8357

**EDEN ISLES
DIRECTORY ON
THE DRAWING BOARD**
by Mike Sims

Plans are being made for a subdivision directory, listing names, addresses and published telephone numbers of Eden Isles residents, alphabetically and cross-referenced by street address. After publication, all current members of the Homeowners' Association will receive a complementary copy. Non-members will be given the opportunity to purchase the directory.

A blanket survey will be conducted throughout the subdivision during the week of August 12th in order to obtain approval from each resident for the project. We anticipate great support for this undertaking. Many volunteers will be needed to assist in conducting the survey. If you are interested in assisting, please contact Mike Sims at 641-8379.

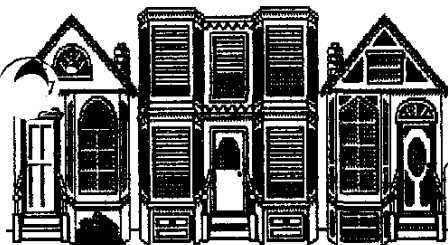


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Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

	1	2  GARDEN CLUB "YARD OF THE MONTH" JUDGING	3  FISHING RODEO COMMITTEE MEETING 7:30 PM	4  HAPPY JULY FORTH	5	6
7	8	9	10  FISHING RODEO COMMITTEE MEETING 7:30 PM	11  E.I.H.O.A. B.O.D. MEETING 7:30 PM	12	13
14	15	16	17  FISHING RODEO COMMITTEE MEETING 7:30 PM	18  ST. TAMMANY POLICE JURY MEETING 4:00 PM	19	20
21	22	23	24  FISHING RODEO COMMITTEE MEETING 7:30 PM	25	26	27
28	29  E.I.H.O.A. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING T.Y.C. 7:30 P.M.	30	31  FISHING RODEO COMMITTEE MEETING 7:30 PM			



E.I.H.O.A.



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Bob Carey	Eydie Lane	641-1633

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE REPORT UNIT FOUR

by Mike Dooley

Unit Four of Eden Isles consists of Windward Passage and all streets that feed off of it. The Architectural Control Committee for Unit Four, is responsible for seeing that residents and property owners abide by the restrictive covenants that are set forth for this area. While some people dislike any type of restrictions as to what they can do with their property, these covenants were established to maintain a reasonable standard of quality and esthetics for our neighborhood. These covenants are filed with the Parish registry in Covington and are considered lawful guidelines that should be followed by all property owners.

While the covenants are considered to be law, the committee that oversees these guidelines is certainly not a police force. We are a group of concerned citizens who care about Eden Isles. Our goal is to maintain, and perhaps, improve the property values and quality of life in Eden Isles. None of us receive any compensation for being on the Committee and we have no ulterior motives. However, being that we are not a police force, the Committee would hope that our property owners try to be cooperative and understanding. The best way to be cooperative is to become informed. You should have received a copy of the covenants when you purchased your property. If you did not, or should you require an additional set of covenants, our Committee members will be happy to furnish them to you. After you have read the covenants, try to live within the guidelines, and encourage your neighbors to do the same. Of course, each of us can point out several minor infractions within the area. Some of these we can live with, and others may need to be corrected. It is our feeling that most people would not knowingly violate the covenants. In most cases, the property owner was not

aware of the restrictions. Therefore, awareness and cooperation are the key factors in keeping your property values in an escalating mode.

The Committee asks all property owners to obtain a permit from the ACC prior to starting any new construction, additions, or external renovations on their property. We are also available to respond to any questions or concerns that may be generated by an individual or group of neighbors. Like any piece of legislation, the covenants are not perfect. If you feel that some of the restrictions need to be changed, we will help you in that effort. We welcome your involvement and solicit your support, because we wish to be known as a committee that is guided by the consensus of our property owners.

The names and telephone numbers of the members of the Architectural Control Committee for Unit Four are listed below, as well as in the Committee Section of this publication. Permit applications and additional information may be obtained from Mrs. Betty Stewart, Committee Secretary, at 643-5222.

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GARDEN CLUB NEWS

by Brenda Castiglione

The members of the Garden Club travelled by boat to judge the back yards for June. Selected as this month's winners are:

FIRST PLACE

JUANITA and KEN GIBBS
127 Blackfin Cove

SECOND PLACE

WALLACE CROCKETT and BETTY ALTMAN
444 Eden Isles Drive

THIRD PLACE

STEVE BOURGEOIS and RICK BECERRA
127 Weatherly Cove

Congratulations to the owners of these beautiful yards!

The members of the club go to great lengths to make sure the judging takes place as scheduled. No boat or driver was available this month for the judging, but that didn't stop the Garden Clubbers. Boni Johnson volunteered her party boat, with one catch - she had never driven it before. Boni took a quick lesson the night before and the judging took place as scheduled. Thanks, Boni, you were a great captain!

Thanks to members, Ina Graff and Nel Forstall, who gave so freely of their time to judge the yards.

Front yards will be judged on Tuesday, July 2nd.

A NEW LOOK FOR MOONRAKER ENTRANCE

by Ginny Moore

Have you noticed how nice the entrance to Moonraker has looked lately? Residents recently organized a maintenance program, sharing in the mowing and/or cost of having it mowed. So far, 10% of the 129 families have volunteered to participate. Many more are needed,

however, to carry us through this growing season.

Any Moonraker resident wishing to join this effort may contact Ginny and David Moore, 230 Moonraker Drive, 847-0752 or Marylou and Ray Koch, 128 Moonraker Drive, 643-6171.

WELCOME ABOARD

The Eden Isles Homeowners' Association wishes to welcome the following families who have recently moved into our community.

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