**JUNE 2009** 

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### A Message From Our President... Elizabeth S. Hoffmann

ello friends & neighbors. Usually I'm all Sunshine,
Lollipops, and Roses, however today, here's the deal: We really
MUST take our neighborhood back! Back from the
robberies/break-ins (both car & house), domestic violence,
speeders, litterbugs, rule breakers and alligators. How? By
banding together and remembering we really do live in Eden
(before the apple).

As many of you know lately we've been minus a few ducks. Oh sure, some of you might be glad about that, however first the ducks, then the dogs/cats, then the little children. Alligators have come to know people as a food source, either by hand feeding or the garbage we throw out. Several sightings and captures have taken place in our canals. See the article in this newsletter for more information. Remember, call the Sheriff DO NOT TRY AND CAPTURE OR SHOOT these animals on your own.

## GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY, June 9th

SALMEN HIGH
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6:30 MEET & GREET
7:00 PM MEETING

Neighborhood Watch. Be alert and vigilant for yourselves AND your neighbors. Remember years ago when we knew our neighbors well enough to know who was coming and going from their homes? We knew who was supposed to be there and who wasn't. Well it's time to watch again. Tell your neighbors "hello" and that you'll watch their homes and ask that they watch YOURS. If you see something suspicious CALL the Sheriff, that's what he's here for. 985-898-2338 is the dispatch number. Put this number in your cell phone. It's a good idea to have your neighbor's phone numbers as well. Remember folks we're all in this together.

There are many important issues approaching. Your HOA would like some direction as to how you would like to see YOUR funds spent. Inside is a priority list of just a few things the board of directors would like to see. Maybe you have something to add, or something you feel is important. Please plan on attending this meeting, we plan on letting you know what we've discovered about our water quality, beautification issues, safety issues, etc. As hurricane season approaches the Corps of Engineers is holding a public meeting for June 16, 2009 at 6:00 PM at the Oak Harbor Center. Announcements have been, and will be in the newspaper. We will also post signs reminding our residents. Please plan on attending. It's so important that we show the "powers that be" we CARE. (See John's article).

Remember our meeting place has changed to Salmen High School Cafeteria for a 6:30 meet and greet and a 7:00 meeting. No beverages will be served, so feel free to bring your go cup from home (no alcohol allowed on school premises). We're going to try this venue and see how it works. Please plan on attending.

Let's get through this hurricane season. See you at the meeting. Laissez le bon temp roullez.

Liz Hoffmann, (June/July/August 2009)

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#### Gators, Gators... (by Liz Hoffmann)

Alligators are WONDERFUL! Wonderful for any place other than our back yards. They are super at Zoos, fun to look from the safety of a BIG boat. Heck, some might even say there's nothing like alligator boots, b shoes, or even sauce piquant. JUST NOT HERE... Any place but in our subdivision.

Howard McCrea is the wonderful gentleman with the sheriff's office who tries to capture these pesky critter relocate them to a safe environment (safe for us and for them). However he tells me that even with all of his many times as a last resort he must kill them.

Recently he has removed 3 (hopefully 4 by this writing) from our waterways. There was a 10' gator remove Fremaux and 4, 5, and 6 footers removed from YOUR back yard. Why you might ask. Well first it is nature to find food. Food such as ducks, dead (gutted) fish, crab/crawfish shells, etc., all the stuff that we have so canals. If you are an angler, hunter, etc. and plan on discarding your disposable "stuff" in the canal please 1 traps. Do not allow it to float on the surface. If you do see an alligator please call the Sheriff's office dispate 2338. Enjoy the water but remember SAFETY FIRST. Have a great summer.





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#### Flood Protection Update (by John Faust)

My Fellow Residents:

The campaign for flood protection is moving on! The public meeting with the Corps will be held on June 16th at 6:00pm. The location will be the Oak Harbor Center. We need to pack the place and let the politicians and the Corps see the support we have for this project. If there is anything I have learned in this campaign, it is that numbers matter. This is our shot to motivate those in control. The Corps will conduct a question and answer secession followed by a presentation. I have already proposed a series of questions to the Corps and expect the answers at this meeting.

Now for subject number two. The parish is proposing a levee and floodgate system located along the Schneider canal. This area is north of our subdivision and behind the levee for the golf course. The plan is to build a levee from the I-10, along the canal crossing Highway 11 and continuing to the railroad tracks. It will then extend north along the tracks to about Gause. This project was developed by the Corps and produced in a reconnaissance report about 20 years ago. It was an attempt to create flood protection for a portion of the city limits in Slidell. In the twenty years that have pasted since the reconnaissance report was produced, the subdivisions of Eden Isles and Oak Harbor built about 2500 homes in front of this proposed levee system.

The problem with this levee system is that it will encompass Eden Isles and Oak Harbor with levees on all sides except where it is open to the lake. The railroad track embankment is a plus 10 feet high on the west side. The I-10 is a plus 11 feet high to the east side and the levee along the Schneider canal will be about fifteen feet high. As storm surges enter this area it will be trapped by the levees and remain in our neighborhoods. I have researched this project and found no data that gives a definitive answer to the effects of the levees on our subdivisions. At this point, I would like the Parish engineers to produce the data they used to determine the storm surge affects in our area. I would also like to see the data showing different storm surge scenarios.

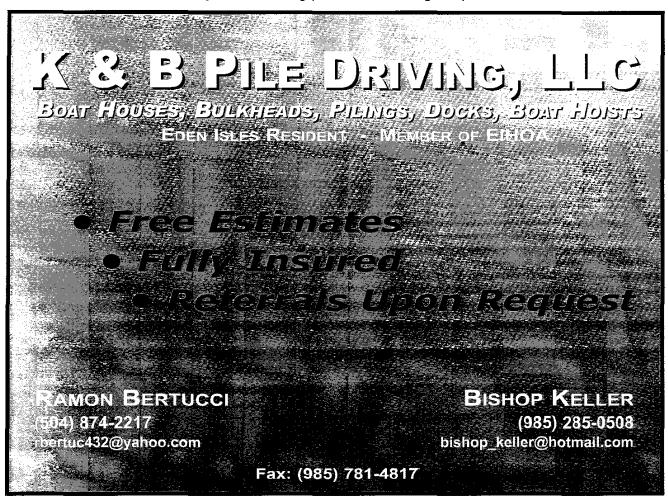
I have not heard of any public meeting scheduled to discuss this issue. It however has been reported to me that the Parish council has given Kevin Davis authority to begin land acquisitions for the project.

As most of you know, I am for any flood protection this area can get. Unlike the flood protection we are proposing, this project will only protect a select few. Our subdivision has been here for over 40 years. I would hope if this flood project proves to affect our area, the parish would do what ever it takes to protect our property. We need to propose these questions to our Parish officials and hold them accountable for the answers they give.

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#### Water Safety: (No diving or jumping from BRIDGES)

- \* Never swim alone, use the buddy system and flotation devices.
- \* Never leave children near the water unattended.
- 75% of submersion victims studied by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSD) were between 1 & 3 years old; 65 % were boys. Toddlers, in particular, often do something unexpected because their capabilities change daily.
- Most children were being supervised by one or both parents
- 46% of the children were last seen in the house
- 69% of the children were not expected to be at or near the water
- Barriers (fence, door alarms and safety latches) are not childproof, but they provide layers of protection
- Appoint a "designated watcher" to protect children during social gatherings near the water
- Do not leave toys near the water, they can attract young children to the water
- Do not consider young children to be drown-proof because they have had swimming lessons.
- Instruct babysitters about water hazards
  - \* Keep a flotation device handy that you can through to someone in trouble.
  - \* Learn CPR. Babysitters and other caretakers, such as grandparents and older siblings should also know CPR
  - \* Barnacles along the bulkhead and pilings are very sharp and can cut like a razor
  - \* 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.



#### Eden Isles Homeowners Association Members

Let your voice be heard (June 2009)

Please fill out and return (or bring with you) at the end of this meeting. It is only through your feedback and active participation that we can act as a unit to fulfill community needs.

#### 1. Capital Improvements:

Thanks to the residents that have paid homeowners dues we now have enough money in our treasury to make much needed improvements to our island. This is not the board's money, it is YOUR money and therefore the board needs your input on how you want it spent. Because we do not have enough money to accomplish all of the listed objectives we must prioritize the list to get the most value for your money. Please number which projects are most important to you starting with #1 as the most important. The board will compile the results and begin implementing the improvements in accordance with your ranking of as funds become available.

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Install security cameras at both entrances to our island.  Beautify Eden Isles Blvd. neutral ground by installing unique, high quality street signs at each roadway intersection along the Blvd. The signs to be surrounded by gardens and all oak trees to be trimmed and surrounded by mulch.  Replace all existing street signs through out the neighborhood with unique, high quality street signs.  Replace the Moonraker sign that was destroyed by Katrina.  Install digital signs at both ends of Eden Isles Blvd. to display real time messages (Parish informs us that they WILL stripe Eden Isles Blvd for a walking/biking path)
2. Your Feedback:
Please use this form to provide feedback such as:  What you liked or didn't like about this meeting.  Suggestions on improvements to Eden Isles; the Association; the newsletter; the website, etc. Are you willing to serve on the board or committee?

Please sign your name and address so your vote will be counted! (Remember only paid members are allowed to vote. One vote per household)

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#### Crime Stats: (by Liz Hoffmann)

I personally was able to have a meeting with Capt. Bradley Hassert with STPSO regarding the recent "crime spree".

There have been 2 arrests for burglaries that have occurred on Moonraker, Valiant, and Eden Isles. There is on-going investigation into several other thefts which he relates are both petty theft and importantly IDENTY thefts. Please residents, if you aren't shredding your "important" trash well then start. There seems to have been a rash of this type of theft both nationwide as well as in our Eden. Hard to believe that someone would sift through our garbage huh?

Capt. Hassert asks us all to use Common Sense and lock our vehicles and homes, even if you are in your own backyard, please make sure your front is secure. Also for those with boats, make sure you don't invite problems. Remove the keys and valuables. Let's let the "bad guys" know that we're watching and we're gonna get 'em.

Oh, yes... watch out speeders, there are speed traps all over....

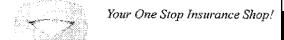


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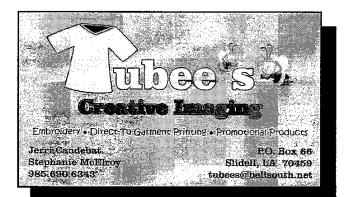
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