



# THE EDEN ISLANDER

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## UPDATE : EDEN ISLES COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Work is continuing on setting up the District and many of you have returned your questionnaires. We appreciate your cooperation in this endeavor and hope that we receive one from all of you. Your input as to the services that you would like to see provided will determine what services are actually provided. After this decision is made as to services to be provided then you will know what it will cost each property owner and at that point you should be able to make an objective decision as to whether you are in favor of the District or not.

There seems to be some confusion though as to whether you should send in the questionnaire if you are not sure at this time if you are totally in favor or not. The answer is yes. We need for you to fill out the form and make any comments or suggestions that you might have. This along with any concerns that you have are necessary in order to set up the District so that it is for the betterment of all. If we don't have your fears and concerns out in the open, there is no way that we could be able to address them. Please let me assure you that we are very concerned about your thoughts on this matter and want to address them if we have not already.

Please remember that this District is designed to take care of many ills that plague us as well as improve the quality of life that we have in Eden Isles. In order for us to do this well, we need for all of you to participate in this endeavor. So, if you have not done so already, send in your questionnaire and any comments that you might have. Send to: Eden Isles Homeowner's Assoc. , Inc., 100 Eden Isles Dr. Slidell, La. 70458. Please include your name and address in order for us to consider your response.

If you lost your last form another one is included in this edition.

## GUARD HOUSE GETTING NEW LOOK

During the last week in May the Homeowners' Assoc. had a new roof placed on the guard house. The reason for the change in the type of roofing material from cedar shake to asphalt shingles was due to the prohibitive cost of the cedar shingles. The change was absolutely necessary since the old roof leaked bad.

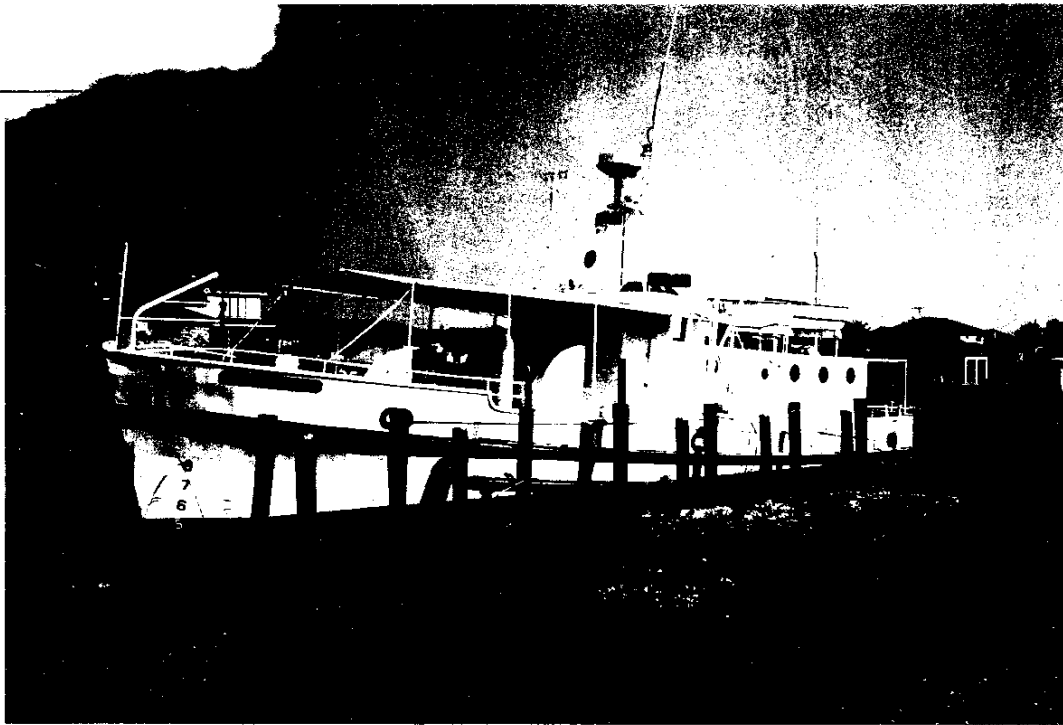
The next step is to paint the building and clean it up as well as fix and paint the announcement sign as you are going out. Once we finish with the painting and with all of the help that the Eden Isles Garden Club is giving on keeping the flowers up, we should have a grand entrance.

## EDEN ISLES DRIVE SPRUCE UP

Currently, new sod, seeding for new grass and leveling of the neutral ground is taking place on Eden Isles Drive thanks to the persistence of several residents. The contractor that dug it up and made a mess for CLECO went bankrupt. However, it is being fixed right now, so to speak, and it is time that the residents got out and cut the shrubs at all of the turnarounds. That doesn't just mean that the folks on Eden Isles Drive are responsible, but we all are. Take a few minutes of your time, clip a few shrubs, pull a few weeds, bag it up and take your clippings home for the trash man. Remember, when the neighborhood looks good, everybody wins, so adopt yourself a spot anywhere in Eden Isles and keep it up and we will all have a neighborhood that we can all be proud of.

## CANAL TRASH

Residents have noticed an increase in trash being thrown into and floating in the canals. Please, lets all use garbage cans to discard cups, bottles, cans in -- not the canals. It's your water, keep it clean.



The 65 ft. Sea Explorer which has been recently acquired by the Board of Directors of the Eden Isles Sea Scout Troop is a WWII Army "T" ship and has been in service with the Sea Scouts for over 20 years. The Sea Explorer has taken quite a few kids on trips of a lifetime to Mexico and the Carribean.

#### SEA SCOUT TROOP FORMED

A Sea Scout Troop has been formed in Eden Isles and so far we have 5 youngsters to sign up. The Troop is open to both males and females ages 14-21 and is a branch of the Boy Scouts of America.

The initial Troop to be formed here and others in the future are managed by a Board of Directors, which has been formed to take control of the Sea Explorer, a 65 foot vessel which sleeps 28 people. The Troop will also offer sailing on a sail boat that it has acquired as well as skiing and other water related activities.

The Board is currently raising money to fund the Troop and equip the boats it has acquired. The Board is also needing to raise \$4,000.00 for the insurance on the Sea Explorer. This amount is due only once and the Boy Scouts of America will pay for it in the future. However, funds and other donations are still needed to get this organization off the ground and any donation is tax deductible.

This is an excellent opportunity not only for Eden Isles, but especially for our youth. Please help support it with your money and your time.

If your child is interested, or you would like to contribute something to this organization such as time, talent, equipment, or money, call Allen Lofland or Ed Barber at 649-2121 during the day or at night, Allen (641-1167) - Ed (641-3027). In the event that you are unable to reach either one of them, call Milton Gibson at 641-6971.

#### OAK HARBOR DEVELOPMENT

Landmark Land Co. was given approval by the parish zoning and planning commissions for development of the golf course community in the existing PUD (Planned Unit Development) between Eden Isles and Slidell. Plans for a class community built around a realigned 18-hole golf course and served by the new Eden Isles interchange on Highway I-10 and the parkway connecting I-10 to Highway 11.

**NEED A BABY SITTER?**

The following residents are available for baby sitting services within the Eden Isles area:

- |                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Danielle Carey    | 641-1633 |
| Laura Ison        | 643-7487 |
| Sandy Key         | 643-8693 |
| Wendy Nall        | 649-4906 |
| Michelle Vincent  | 641-0719 |
| Wendy Leonard     | 649-2877 |
| Melissa Herbert   | 649-6148 |
| Mary Helen Obryan | 649-4262 |
| Elizabeth Gibson  | 641-6971 |
| Denise Drewes     | 641-0958 |
| Erin Harris       | 649-0296 |

**GARDEN CLUB NEWS**

Eden Isles Garden Club's yard of the month award for May was presented to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Forstall of 109 Carina Circle. The first place winner receives a \$25.00 gift certificate from the Garden of Eden Nursery Inc.

Second place was Mr. & Mrs. Roy Evans of 114 Pebble Beach Dr., third place was Mr. and Mrs. Ray Philbert of 103 Jubilee, and honorable mention to Mr. and Mrs. Allen Cox of 409 Charles Ct.

For the month of June the back yards will be judged, by boat.

**BOAT TO BE MOVED**

The boat that has been sunk in the canal behind 112 Edie Lane for the last couple of years will be moved out this month. The removal of this eyesore is welcome news to all those who have complained over the last several months.

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This notice is to inform new water customers of Lakeside Utilities, Inc. that the Federal Government prohibits the use of solder and other materials which contain lead in plumbing fixtures and pipes.

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#### NEW FLAG DONATED TO EDEN ISLES

Ralph Bender of Woodmen of the World presents a new American Flag to Milton Gibson, President of EIHOA and Brenda Castiglione of the Eden Isles Garden Club. Woodmen of the World is the largest donator of American Flags in the U.S. and second largest purchaser of American Flags after the U. S. Government. Much thanks from all the residents of Eden Isles to Mr. Bender and Woodmen of the World for this much needed new flag.

#### SALMEN GRADUATES

Congratulations to all of the graduating seniors of Salmen High Schools "Class of '88". We want to especially recognize Chantell Brinson, Vinny Castiglione, Rocky Cavinac, Janette Coullard, Mike Durel, Dawn Ellison, Craig Evans, John Fewer, Todd Gathright, James Griffith, Crissy Hall, Cherie Kendricks, Kim King, Nicole Lamkin, Ginger Lee, John Leo, Sean Pitrich, Don Pittmen, Justin Taffinder and Walter Ybos who are all residents of Eden Isles.

It is our wish that all of these graduates achieve all the success that they strive for in life no matter what that endeavor may be. Again, from all of us we congratulate you again and wish you all the best of Luck.

(A special thanks to Janette Coullard for supplying the list of graduates.)

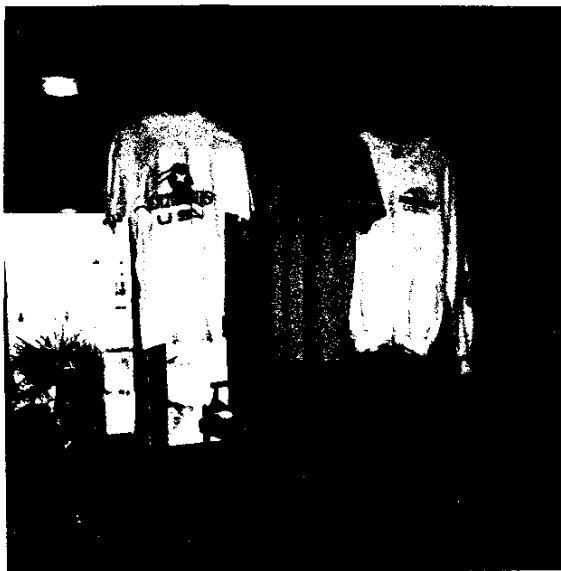
#### POTHOLE REPAIR AND DRAIN CLEANOUT IN EDEN ISLES

Anyone having a pothole or clogged street drain near their home, please contact Mr. John Blair with the St. Tammany Department of Street at 649-7369. or write to: St. Tammany Parish Police Jury P.O. Box 628 Covington, La. 70434 Attn: John Blair

Mr. Blair Does Not respond to verbal requests well. Your best bet is to write and give your address or send a map with the location of the pothole or clogged drain.

#### EDEN ISLES LOGO

Recently, the Eden Isles Homeowners' Assoc. intered into a licencing agreement with Landmark Land Development Corp. for the right to use the Eden Isles Logo which they acquired from Eden Isles, Inc. The logo is Copyrighted and can and only be used with the written consent of Landmark Land Development Corp. This agreement with Landmark gives the Homeowners' Assoc. the right to use the logo for promotional material as well as their official letter heads, etc. So, please if you are thinking of using the logo without permission, please think again in order to not be in violation of the law.



#### EDEN ISLES SHIRT AND CAP SALE

We now have a supply of large and extra large shirts in stock so get yours today. We have caps, T-shirts, golf shirts, sweat shirts and aprons and are moderately priced. The proceeds of the shirt and cap sale go to the Homeowners' Assoc.

What better way to show your community spirit than to wear one of these spiffy caps or shirts or both. They can be purchased by cash or check at Lofland Yachts.

#### MISSING A STROLLER??

If you lost a stroller on the Blvd. and have not been able to find it, check the guard house. It was found in the middle of the street and was promptly turned over to the guard. Please, if you own this stroller, pick it up as soon as possible as there is very little room in the guard house.

#### CLASSIFIED ADS - SERVICES

Going on vacation! Need someone to take care of your pets, plants, house & yard. Call Danielle or Bobby 641-1633

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#### ST. TAMMANY JR. HIGH NEWS by Elizabeth Gibson

As we get ready for year's end, we've been extremely busy at St. Tammany. Dance team tryouts were held on May 6th and three Eden Islander's were chosen for next year. They are Jessica Guntner, Lara Gallagher, and Elizabeth Gibson.

Congratulations to Pam Griffiths who was chosen for Salmen's Dance Team for next year and Tonia Troutwing, who was chosen for Salmen's cheerleader squad.

Eighth graders who will be leaving us for bigger and better things include the following Eden Islanders. Congratulations to each one of you: Pam Griffiths, Lonnie Woltz, Stewart Ellis, Tonia Troutwine, and Alisa Matilich.

#### NEED A COPY OF THE COVENANTS?

All property owners in Units 3 and 4 should have a copy of the "Eden Isles Reservations, Restrictions and Conditions" for these units. If you have lost your copy of this document (or never received one) call Betty Stewart, Secretary to the Architectural Control Committee, at 643-5222. We will be happy to mail a copy of the Covenants to you!

For your information, the Architectural Control Committee for Units 3 and 4 is comprised of five members who are elected by Eden Isles property owners. They serve on the Committee for a one year period and receive no compensation during that time. They meet almost weekly when there are plans for review. The Committee is active to protect your investment in your property as prescribed by the Covenants.

Since our last report, the Architectural Committee for Units 3 and 4 has approved plans for the following: five new homes, two docks, one patio, six fences, four decks, one addition to a dock and two docks with covers. One violation of the Covenants was turned over to an Attorney for legal action. To be sure that this won't happen to you, just submit your plans to the Committee for approval prior to beginning construction. Contact Betty Stewart at the above phone number for an application or more information on how to submit your plans.

SOLICITATION FOR COMMISSIONER'S FOR THE  
EDEN ISLES SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT

We invite anyone who is a resident of Eden  
Isles and or has their principal place of  
business or is a qualified elector of Eden  
Isles to submit their name to to Eden Isles  
Homeowners' Assoc. for consideration as a  
Commissioner for the Eden Isles Special  
Services District.

There will be a total of five Commissioners  
representing our interests. These Commis-  
sioners will volunteer their time and be  
responsible for establishing rules for  
business within the "District", hold regular  
and special meeting, and submit a "Five  
Year Plan" for service to the Secretary of  
State's office by September 1, 1988.

Membership in the Eden Isles Homeowners'  
Assoc. is not a requirement. You need only  
have the desire, time and committment to  
taking a major role in the ongoing business  
and improvement of Eden Isles. Commis-  
sioners will serve for 2-3 years. All candi-  
dates must submit a resume for publication  
in a special edition of the Eden Islander.  
Submit to: Milton Gibson, 133 Eden Isles  
Dr., 641-6971 or to Bill Weil, 220 Southern  
Star, 641-4594.

SPEEDING ON OUR STREETS

Now that school is out, more children will  
be on the streets. Watch out for sudden  
unexpected movements when a child is  
chasing a ball or riding a bike. Don't  
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EDEN ISLANDERS  
AT MINACAPELLI'S

Don't miss the chance to see two Eden Isles teenagers currently performing in "Fiddler on the Roof" at Minacapelli's Dinner Theatre.

This favorite play features locals Danielle Carey and Shawn Verges as two of Tevye's daughters.

Danielle, daughter of Susan and Robert Carey, has performed in the Slidell Little Theatre's production of "Johnny Appleseed," "Give My Regards to Broadway" and their recent "Fiddler on the Roof". She also portrayed the "Queen" in the Pope John Paul High School play of "Cinderella".

Shawn, daughter of Brenda and Nelson Verges, has performed in numerous plays at both Slidell Little Theatre and Minacapelli's. She also has been in the SLU production of "The Sound of Music" playing "Liesl".

Shawn will be starting her third year at NOCCA in the fall and has been selected to attend the prestigious Boston University Tanglewood Institute for Young Vocal Artists for eight weeks this summer.

Come out and support our only local dinner theatre and see these two local talented teenagers at work.

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EDEN ISLES PROMOTION

Currently, we are in the process of creating promotional material to sell the benefits of living in Eden Isles. During this period of depressed property values, we need to be able to show the potential buyers and developers the plus side of Eden Isles and that ladies and gentlemen is in our real front yards, or the water front side where we all spend most of our time and fix up our yard the nicest. I guess you could say that we are a turned around neighborhood from the average one, but we have many things on the plus side and we want people to know it.

If you have any experience in video-taping, still photography, or printing layouts let us know. Get on the bandwagon with the Homeowner's Assoc. and lets let every potential resident know that we have the best darn community in this area to live in.

WATCH YOUR BOAT

Dr. Mayham of 443 Eden Isles Drive reports that recently two sailboats were cut loose from moorings at his dock. The boats were later found, having run aground in the canals. After an investigation by the Sheriff's Department it was determined the prank was conducted by local youths with nothing better to do for an evening's entertainment. Neighbors need to keep an eye out for strange goings-ons and report problems to the Sheriff and security.



PUBLIC NOTICE

To the customers of  
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LEAD IN DRINKING WATER

This public notice is being released in accordance with the requirements of section 1417 of the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendment of 1986.

The Federal Government has determined that lead in our environment is a public health issue. A health issue that everyone should be concerned about.

When consumed or inhaled, lead is considered to be harmful to human health. Lead is a soft metal and accumulates in the body. The potential harm from lead depends upon the level of exposure from all sources.

The three potential sources of lead accumulation in the body are: 1) Food, 2) Inhaled from air, 3) Drinking water. Food is the main source.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency, through the Safe Drinking Water Act governs public drinking water supplies. This process helps to protect the health of the public.

Throughout the United States there is a high level of compliance with drinking water standards. There is, however, still some concern about certain contaminants which may get into drinking water supplies. Lead is one of those contaminants.

As your drinking water supplier we have prepared this notice with the help of the American Water Works Association and the Louisiana Department of Health and Human Resources. We all hope this notice will help educate you on this issue.

At certain levels of exposure lead has been determined to be a health concern. This determination has been made by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) which sets national drinking water standards. The EPA has currently established a lead standard of 0.050 parts per million (PPM). The EPA may very well lower this standard in the near future.

Lead in drinking water is a concern of the EPA as well as others. Serious damage to the brain, kidneys, nervous system, and red blood cells can be caused by too much lead in the human body. Even with short-term exposure, the greatest risk is to young children and pregnant women.

Your water is likely to have high levels of lead if:

1. Your home or water system has lead pipes.
2. Your home has copper pipes with lead solder.
3. Your home is less than five years old.
4. You have soft or acidic water.
5. Water sits in the pipes for several hours.

The average level of lead found in the water delivered to your home service connection by any company listed above is well below the national lead drinking water standard.

The State Department of Health has notified all licensed plumbers, builders and contractors to use only lead free solder and materials. In addition, we also inform those who apply for new services of the federal ban prohibiting the use of solder and other materials which contain lead.

Usually, if lead is present in the drinking water, it enters after the water leaves the water company's supply source. The greatest potential source for lead contamination is in the home or residence. Corrosion is the most common cause of lead entering the drinking water. Corrosion is formed by the reaction between water and lead pipes or the lead-based solder.

When water is allowed to stand for several hours without use in a residence, there exists a potential for lead to leach, or dissolve, into the water if a lead source is present.

Soft water can be identified as water that makes soap suds easily. This soft water can be more corrosive and therefore, has higher levels of dissolved lead. In fact there are some home water treatment devices which may also make water more corrosive.

Through the early 1900's it was common practice to use lead pipes for interior plumbing. Copper pipe has been used for residential plumbing since the 1930's. Lead based solder was used widely to join copper pipes until 1986. Federal law now requires lead-free solder and lead-free materials to be used in new household plumbing and for plumbing repairs. To test if the plumbing in a residence contains lead, scratch the pipe with a screwdriver or key. Lead is dull gray in color and is a soft metal. If the pipes scratch easily and are shiny when scratched the pipes are lead.

When lead is dissolved it cannot be seen in water. The only way to determine if drinking water has high levels of dissolved lead is to have it tested by a state-approved laboratory. Should you wish to test your drinking water contact the appropriate water company listed above or the State Health Department for the name of an approved laboratory. The laboratory will indicate the correct procedure to be used in a water test. The Environmental Protection Agency believes that a test should cost somewhere between \$20.00 and \$75.00.

If the test indicates the drinking water has a high level of dissolved lead, or if you are highly suspicious of lead contamination because you have soft water, lead pipes, lead solder, or other lead-based plumbing materials, there are ways to minimize your exposure.

One method would be to "flush" each cold water faucet in your home when water has been standing in the pipes longer than a few hours. Flushing means to run the water until it gets as cold as it will get before you use it. This process should take only two or three minutes. Bear in mind that other uses of cold water such as the toilet and doing laundry in cold water will reduce the time to "flush" the cold water faucet. By moving water through the plumbing system utilizing these other methods should reduce the "flush" time to between five and thirty seconds.

Still another method is one of avoidance: do not consume or cook with water from the hot water faucet. Lead is dissolved more quickly in hot water than in cold water. Particularly avoid using hot tap water for making baby formula. Draw water from the cold water tap and heat it on the stove or in the microwave if you need hot water for cooking or oral consumption.

Should plumbing repairs of other plumbing work be done, make sure only lead-free solder as well as other lead-free materials are used. This is currently a federal law.

These are some of the ways to reduce the risk of lead in your drinking water, there are others. If you wish additional information you may contact the EPA through their toll-free number of 1-800-426-4791 EPA has prepared a booklet on this issue. You may also contact the State Health Department or the appropriate local utility company listed below:


BAYOU LIBERTY WATER ASSOCIATION	643-1216 or 643-1219
LAKESIDE UTILITIES, INC.	641-7932 or 641-7944
NORTHLAKE UTILITY COMPANY	641-8582 or 649-3776
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