

# ENGLISH TURN

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## Our Amigos Are Back!

We are excited to report our "Amigos" have made a swift return this year! After last year's long waiting period, we certainly appreciate the short two-month gap. Below are the five Amigos that have returned, along with their phone numbers.

Angel Gonzalez 504.578.3660

Daniel Vadillo 504.410.0864

Jose Julian Castillo 504.326.3760

Antonio Lopez 504.422.3746

Hector Castillo Perez 845.104.0055

If you have a side job that you would like the Amigos to help with, please note that it will be outside of the Amigo's employment with the English Turn POA. They are available after POA hours. The Amigos control their own pay rates.



## ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the POA will be held at 6:00 p.m. at the POA building on Tuesday, March 19, 2024. It will also be broadcasted simultaneously via zoom. The ballot for the Board of Directors election will be sent via email on Friday, March 8, 2024. There is one vote per property. Your vote will also count as your attendance to establish a quorum for the meeting.

If your name is on the delinquent list, you will not be eligible to vote in the election, in addition to other repercussions. If you would like to review payment options, please contact the POA Office at (504) 391-8000.



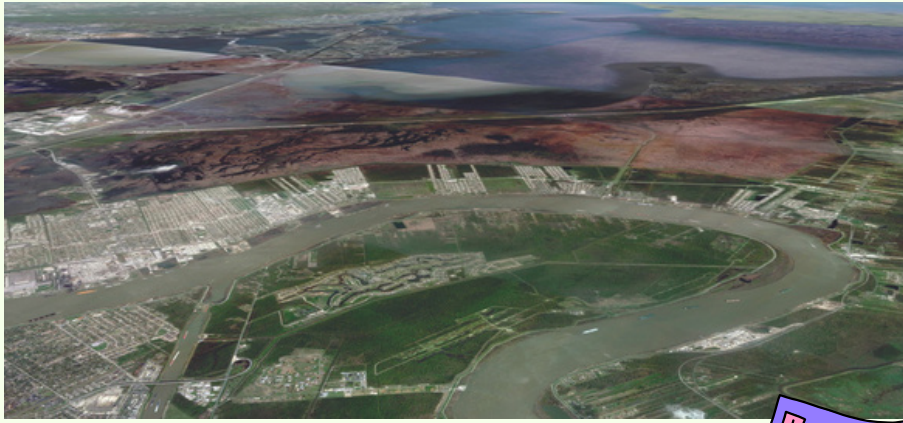
## MEET WILLIE DAVIS

English Turn Property Owners Association has renewed their contract with GardaWorld Security Services. As part of this new contract, they will be providing us with an exclusive manager who will have an office in the POA building 40+ hours per week. Willie Davis is an employee of GardaWorld and serves as the Director of Security, Compliance & Emergency Preparedness for English Turn POA.

Also as part of the recently re-negotiated contract, GardaWorld is providing the POA with a marked patrol vehicle, which Willie will be using to conduct property inspections and routine patrols of the neighborhood.

Should you have any guard, compliance, or general neighborhood security issues, you may contact him through the office (504) 391-8000 or via email: [willied@englishturnpoa.com](mailto:willied@englishturnpoa.com)

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## IZD MEETING

### 180 DAY EXTENSION FOR THE IZD GRANTED

Dear Friends,

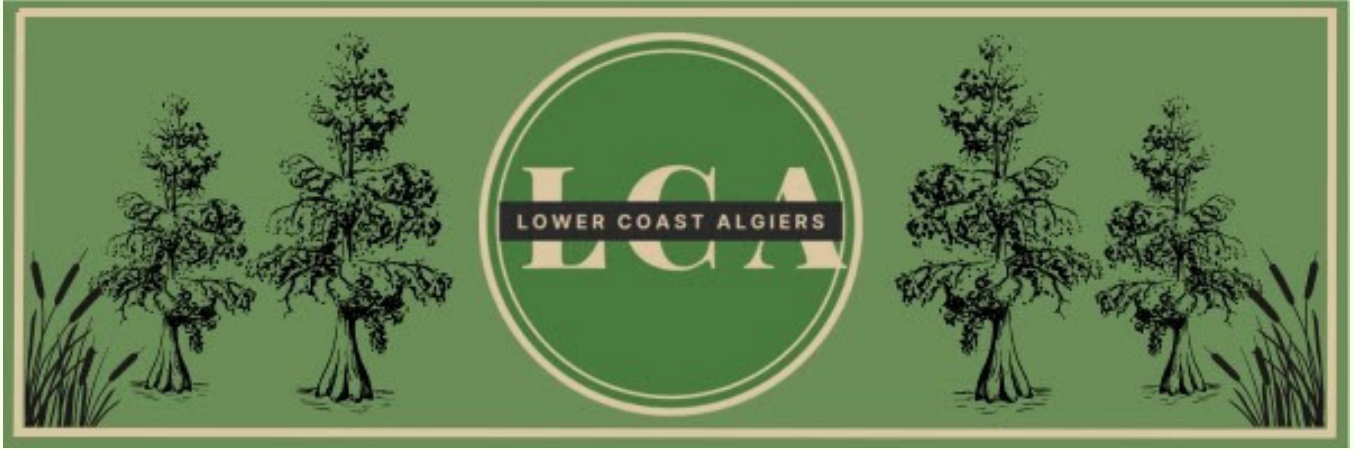
It is my great pleasure to report that, at the City Council hearing on March 7, CM King's motion to extend the Lower Coast Algiers Rural Protection Interim Zoning District for an additional 180 days was granted by a vote of 6 - 0. Your neighbors showed up in force, with an estimated crowd of at least 100, and our nine speakers were eloquent in arguing for the extension. The comments of the Council members, after public comment, were extremely supportive, and all in attendance concurred that it reflected at last an understanding of our unique and diverse community and the need for special consideration with regard to further development.

My special thanks are extended to all residents who made the effort to attend, to Jerry Sneed in arranging the bus transportation to the hearing from English Turn (and to those who contributed to its expense), to Raju Sadhwani for providing T-shirts for attendees, to the speakers who joined me in reminding the City Council of the concerns that resulted in the establishment of the IZD, including Edwin Shorty, Ernest Legier, Darlene Thomas, Dropadi Kewalramani, Buck Landry, Stephen Le, Darren Patin, and Marlon Defillo, to Sharon Cayce and Darren Patin whose input was invaluable in organizing the presentation, and, of course, to Councilman Freddie King who proposed the Extension.

We have not yet achieved our final goal of limiting higher density development on the Lower Coast, but we have come a long way because of the dedicated efforts of a core group and your overwhelming support. Thank you. Remember, the hearing before the City Planning Commission on our proposed amendments to the City's Future Land Use Map was deferred earlier this week because of time constraints. That hearing will likely proceed later this month, and your support is always appreciated. We will keep you posted.

Congratulations to us all,

Janet Duroncelet



## INTRODUCTION TO LOWER COAST ALGIERS LLC

For our newer neighbors in English Turn (ET), I want to introduce you to the Lower Coast Algiers Association (LCAA). This legal entity was formed last year in recognition of the entire Peninsula's common interests in maintaining and growing our very unique location in a responsible manner.

The census of 1980 reported that only several hundred residents lived in this undeveloped, 4th generation Bottomland Hardwood Forest. Anticipating growth with the opening of access via the bridge over the Intracoastal Waterway in the mid-1980's, the City Council commissioned a study by City Planning to recommend the best use of this area. That report concluded that the lack of infrastructure dictated low density development, and that recommendation remains valid. And, early development in this rural setting included sites for the Audubon Institute, Tulane's Studio in the Woods, Woodlands Conservancy, and Sugar Roots Farm. Residential developments like English Turn and the Arbors provided their own infrastructure needs and even contributed to City-owned projects such as the pumping station and the construction of English Turn Parkway.

Mindful of the continuing infrastructure limitations and the benefits of the forest in absorbing storm water runoff and serving as a barrier to storm winds, as well as shelter for our abundant wildlife, the entire Lower Coast has banded together to monitor proposed development and to encourage or oppose those projects that are likely to impact our fragile environment and to affect the health and safety of their neighbors. Of course, one project that has been carefully monitored is a proposed 278 unit apartment complex on English Turn Parkway. As a part of this effort, LCAA has joined residents of ET (1) to urge the City Council to create an Interim Zoning District to study the effects of multi-family and commercial development before granting permits for such and (2) to participate in urging changes to the City's FLUM (Future Land Use Map) that correspond to the recommendations for low density development, which is under consideration at this time. To be a part of this organization, and to stay abreast of activities that affect the entire Lower Coast, please note the following information:

LCAA Board President - Lee Dupont

LPDNOL@gmail.com

Link to the Web Site: <https://www.lowercoastalgiers.org/>

Link to sign up to receive newsletters/emails

Email Address: [lowercoastalgiers@gmail.com](mailto:lowercoastalgiers@gmail.com)

Mailing Address: 12805 Patterson Road

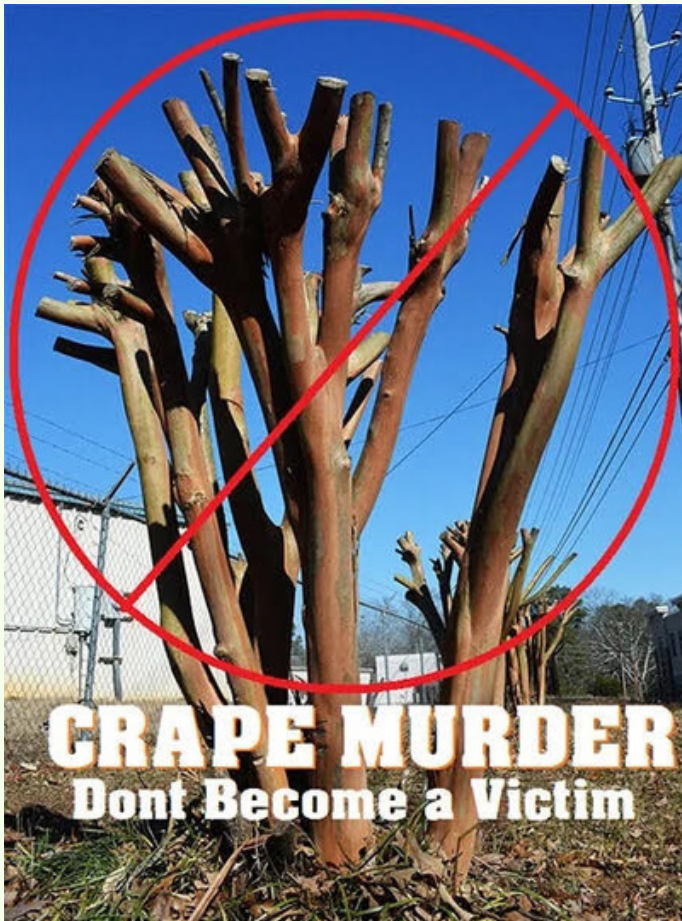
New Orleans, LA 70131

Also, should you have questions, I am available to discuss further the referenced activities.

Kind regards,

Janet Duroncelet

President ETPOA Board



## SAY NO TO CRAPE MURDER

"Many people commit crape murder because they think it promotes better blooms in the coming year. Still others commit crape murder because their crape myrtle has outgrown the spot where it was planted. Regardless of the motive, crape murder is not only unnecessary; it is detrimental.

Severe pruning or topping of crape myrtles removes strong, viable limbs and encourages the growth of weak and flimsy shoots that often aren't strong enough to support the blooms come spring and summer. It also keeps crape myrtles from forming the unique and lovely bark that makes these trees spectacular additions to the landscape even when the leaves are off in winter. And the cuts made at pruning can allow disease and rot to enter a crape myrtle, which can eventually result in its untimely demise."

Written by Southern Living Plant Staff

Check out the full Article on  
[southernlivingplants.com](https://southernlivingplants.com)

<https://southernlivingplants.com/planting-care/crape-murder/>



## ENGLISH TURN PICKLEBALL

Abrie Du Plooy, manager of the ET Tennis Center will have pickle ball clinics on Saturday mornings starting on March 2, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Following the pickleball clinics will be the adult, beginners to intermediate, tennis clinics from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. After a short lunch break, they will have a tennis clinic for junior players, ages 4-18. Abrie has invited everyone to join in the fun! Scan Below for Details.





## **FEBRUARY 20TH MEETING**

Below are a few highlights and helpful information from Tuesday's Community POA Meeting. The meeting began with POA President, Janet Duroncelet, introducing Mr. Lee Dupont, the President of the Lower Coast Algiers Association. Mr. Dupont briefly updated the group on the upcoming Future Land Use Maps (FLUM) and the Interim Zoning District (IZD) meetings. The FLUM meeting will take place March 5th and the IZD meeting will take place on March 7th. Since infrastructure concerns have yet to be addressed, the IZD needs to be extended. The meeting on the 7th is the one that the public is encouraged to attend. Details about this meeting will be forthcoming in a separate email blast on Monday.

If you would like to sign up to receive information from the Lower Coast Algiers Association, there is a button on the bottom of the home page.

Executive Director, Jerry Sneed, then introduced the latest addition to the POA staff, Mr. Willie Davis. Willie is the new Security Director/Compliance & Emergency Management Officer. Willie is a GardaWorld supervisor who has been exclusively assigned to English Turn. His salary and a marked patrol vehicle are included in the recently re-negotiated GardaWorld contract.

The meeting continued with the meet-and-greet of the 2024 candidates for the Board of Directors. An announcement was made that Bart Farris has recently been elected to his BOD at his Florida property and has dropped out of the race due to possible future scheduling conflicts. The other seven (7) candidates were all available at the meeting, five (5) in person and two (2) on Zoom. The rest of the candidates introduced themselves and spoke briefly about why they would like to be on the Board of Directors. The candidates presented in alphabetical order: Michael Goldman; Lawanda Gordon; Rory Hebert, who had a work emergency, joined via Zoom but had technical difficulties so Treasurer, Joanne Wagner, read his bio aloud to the audience; Ernest Legier, Jr.; Daisy Mosqueda, who also joined via Zoom; Joyclen Prevost; and Raju Sadhwani. The elections will take place via ONLINE VOTING. The ballots will be emailed to each property owner 10-days prior to the Annual Meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the POA office. Laptops will be available for onsite voting. There will be no proxies. Your online vote will count as your attendance to achieve the quorum of 1/3 of the entire membership, lesser those who are ineligible to vote (behind on their dues).

The next portion of the meeting focused on the POA's finances and the 2024 budget. Treasurer, Joanne Wagner, presented balance sheet highlights, budget shortfalls, and the 2023 actuals and 2024 budget items. The income and major expenses, included but were not limited to: payroll; security; landscaping; accounting; utilities; and insurance. The proposed 2024 budget will be distributed to the members of the POA at least 15-days in advance of the Annual Meeting. The list of delinquent homeowners has been posted to the POA website. Please note that this list is a snapshot in time as of 2/20/2024. Any payments made after this date are not reflected in this document.

After a question and answer period, both in person and Zoom chat, Janet adjourned the meeting.

# CLUB EVENTS COMING UP

If you have any questions, please email [haley@englishturn.com](mailto:haley@englishturn.com) or visit their website at [www.englishturn.com](http://www.englishturn.com).



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Friday Night Dinner Fish Fry 5-8pm	2
3	4	5	6 Texas Smokehouse BBQ Night 5-8pm	7	8 Friday Night Dinner A la Carte 5-8pm	9
10	11	12	13 Ramen Night 5-8pm	14 Prime Rib Night 5-8pm	15 Friday Night Dinner New Orleans Crab Boil 5-8pm	16
17 St. Patrick's Day Party 5-8pm	18	19	20 Taco Night 5-8pm	21	22 Friday Night Dinner A la Carte 5-8pm	23
24 Easter Brunch 12-1pm	25	26	27 Italian Night 5-8pm	28	29 Good Friday Seafood Night 5-8pm	30
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**GOLF SHOP**  
Monday  
11:30 AM – 5:00PM/\*6:00PM  
Tuesday – Sunday  
6:30 AM – 5:00PM/\*6:00PM  
Call 504-391-8018 for Tee Times

**TEE TIMES**  
Monday  
12:00 PM – 4:00PM/\*6:00PM  
Tuesday – Sunday  
7:00 AM – 4:00PM/\*6:00PM

**PRACTICE FACILITY**  
Monday  
12:00 PM – 5:00PM/\*6:00PM  
Tuesday – Sunday  
7:00 AM – 5:00PM/\*6:00PM  
*\*Sunday & Wednesday night close at 4:00pm for Clean Pick*

**TURN STAND**  
Monday  
12:00 PM – 4:30PM/\*5:30PM  
Tuesday – Sunday  
9:00 AM – 4:30PM/\*5:30PM

**BEVERAGE CART**  
Friday  
9:00 AM – 4:30PM/\*5:30PM  
Saturday – Sunday  
7:00 AM – 4:30PM/\*5:30PM

**FITNESS CENTER**  
Monday - Sunday  
8:00 AM – 8:00 PM  
Code required for Member Entry

**TENNIS**  
Monday - Sunday  
8:00 AM – 1:00 PM  
4:00 PM – Dusk  
Closes daily for watering 1PM - 4PM  
For Lessons, Camps, Clinics,  
or League Play Contact  
Abris at 985-634-6229  
*\*Code required for Member Entry*

**POOL**  
Tuesday - Sunday  
8:00 AM – 8:00 PM  
*\*No Lifeguard on duty until further notice*

\*Hours of Operations for Golf Facilities will be extended after Daylight Savings Time on March 10, 2024

**March 2024**  
**Hours of Operation**

**BREAKFAST**  
Saturday & Sunday  
7:00 AM – 10:30 AM

**LUNCH**  
Tuesday – Sunday  
11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**BAR**  
Tuesday – Sunday  
11:00 AM – 5:00 PM

**DINNER SERVICE**  
Wednesday and Friday Only  
5:00 PM – 8:00PM

**TAKE OUT ORDERS**  
Take Out Line  
504-392-2208  
Tuesday - Sunday  
11:00 AM – 4:00PM  
*\*Orders accepted until 4pm, must be picked up by 5pm*

**KIDS CLUB**  
Friday Only  
5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

**DINING SCHEDULE**

**Friendly Friday 3/1**  
FISH FRY

**Family Night 3/6**  
TEXAS BBQ

**Friendly Friday 3/8**  
A LA CARTE

**Family Night 3/13**  
RAMEN NIGHT

**PRIME RIB NIGHT 3/14**  
PRIME RIB NIGHT

**Family Night 3/15**  
NEW ORLEANS CRAB BOIL

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY 3/17**  
St. Patrick's Day Party

**Family Night 3/20**  
TACO NIGHT

**Friendly Friday 3/22**  
A LA CARTE

**Family Night 3/27**  
ITALIAN NIGHT

**Family Night 3/29**  
SEAFOOD NIGHT

**Family Night 3/31**  
EASTER BRUNCH

**St. Partrick's Day Party in the Grills!!**

**Happy Hour Prices ALL DAY!**

**St. Patrick's Day Inspired Specials**

**Easter Brunch**

**Sunday March 31, 2024**

**Seatings at 10am, 11am, 12pm, and 1pm**

**Adults \$50++ Kids \$20++**

**Reservations Required**

Members can log into their online account to make reservations; Members and Guests can email [reservations@englishturn.com](mailto:reservations@englishturn.com)



### **YOUR DUES AT WORK**

Check out the skilled work of our English Turn maintenance crew. They have recently refurbished the gazebo in The Parks (East Gate area). Prior to this renovation, the structure was nearly consumed by termites! As one of our amenities, residents are free to use this gazebo at their leisure. So keep this beautiful structure in mind when planning your next outdoor party or get-together.

# **Coming up in March**

## **SIGNIFICANT DATES**

March 10th - Daylight Savings

March 10th - Ramadan begins

March 17th - St. Patrick's Day

March 19th - Spring begins

March 29th - Good Friday (POA Office will close)

March 24th - Palm Sunday

March 31st - Easter Sunday





## **THATS ALL FOLKS**

Thank you for tuning in!

If you have something that you want to be featured in the news letter, please contact Sophie Novick at [sophie.etpoa@gmail.com](mailto:sophie.etpoa@gmail.com)

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