

NEWSLETTER

EDISTO ISLAND OPEN LAND TRUST

Summer is over and fall is just around the corner and we wanted to bring you up to date on all that has been accomplished and the many exciting upcoming events:

A Word from the President - Jenks Mikell

I would like to introduce a new staff member, Connie Hiott. Many of you already know Connie from her years with Edisto Realty and Fairfield Ocean Ridge. Also the EIOLT has a phone number, 803-869-9004.

Highway 174 Wildflowers

We planted four different areas and had a pretty good showing of spring/summer flowers, and hope for more flowers in the future.

EIOLT Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for November 8, 1997. Please mark your calendar to attend. We are planning an exciting program and look forward to seeing you there.

The Land Trust Alliance Rally '97

The Land Trust Alliance is holding their 1997 Rally in Savannah. It is a four day event and several board members will be attending. There will be seminars and discussion groups on topics ranging from Drafting Conservation Easements to Strategic Planning for Land Trusts. EIOLT is a member of the Alliance.

EIOLT and the Bailey Island Club are hosting a Boat and Walking tour of Bailey Island for 40 participants of the Rally. We will travel from Savannah on 9/28/97 with Mr. Nick Lindsay a long time Edisto resident. Mr. Lindsay will relate to our guests not only the history of Edisto Island but many of the folk tales that make Edisto truly special. The Department of Natural Resources will bring their research vessel "Anita" to Bailey Island for tours of the waterways around the Island. Dr. Richard Porcher, Professor of Biology at The Citadel an expert on flora/fauna of the low country, will conduct a walking tour. This should be a very exciting day and what a way to show-off Edisto and Bailey Island.

* We are working with the Bailey Island Club and Cliff Kinder to put together the same type of tour for members later this fall or early winter.

General Information

There are several new committees starting up and we need volunteers. For information call Connie at the office.

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