

# **Emerald Coast Computer Society Christmas Potluck Dinner Party & Meeting**

**Potluck Dinner begins at 6:30 PM**

**December 1, 2005**

**Ft. Walton Beach Library**

**Loads of prizes!**

**A festive spirit!**

**Election of officers!**

**A great evening to begin your holiday season!**

Members are to bring a covered dish with serving utensil. We will need meat dishes, salads, vegetables and desserts so please bring plenty and we will all enjoy a wonderful meal of food and fellowship. The club will provide the beverage and the tableware.

## **The Prez Sez!**

Dear ECCS Members,

The leftovers are in the refrigerator but the memory of a wonderful Thanksgiving will last long after the leftovers are eaten. We've all so much to be thankful for. I do hope you all had a

wonderful day. I'm so glad to be able to get to the computer to get this written. This past month has been exceptionally busy and then with 15 people here for Thanksgiving I have cleaned house and cooked for this past week and am so delighted to be able to sit down in the quiet of this room and rest my weary legs and challenge my mind to remember everything I need to share with you.

Our December meeting date will be upon us before we know it since it falls so early in the month—December 1<sup>st</sup>. We've planned this to be a potluck dinner at the library meeting room to begin eating at 6:30. We do not have access to the room until 5:00 PM so if any of you could arrive early and help set up it would be appreciated. We will be rushed to get the tables, chairs, and decorations ready by the time people will start arriving. We are asking everyone to bring some kind of food dish. We will need meat dishes, salads, vegetables and desserts so we hope that we can have a good assortment of each. Remember we do not have a kitchen to work in so please bring the appropriate serving utensil for the type of food you are bringing. The club will be providing the beverages.

The December meeting will primarily be a social evening without a main program presentation. We will have lots of prizes! We will have a short business meeting to hold our elections for the officers for the year 2006. The nomination committee is submitting the following slate for nomination:

President: Lois Vosmera  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Lendy Edwards  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Hugh Gautier  
Secretary: Bernice Cramer  
Treasurer: Harvey Hall

After looking at our ECCS Constitution it has been decided to wait until the January meeting to collect the dues for the year 2006 instead of collecting them at the December meeting. The dues for 2006 will go into that years records and the new Treasurer will be responsible for collecting them. Details to be explained at the December meeting.

Please remember to bring your used ink cartridges to the meeting. We almost have enough to send in to redeem for CASH!

See you all at the meeting! Have a Merry and Blessed Christmas Season!

The Prez,  
Lois Vosmera  
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**EMERALD COAST COMPUTER SOCIETY  
MINUTES  
November 3, 2005**

On Thursday, November 3, 2005, in the Ft Walton Beach Library, a social time of refreshments was followed by a Mini Presentation from Hugh Gautier explaining the differences of CD-R, CD+R, CD-RW.

After the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the meeting of the Emerald Coast Computer Society came to order at the call of

President Lois Vosmera at approximately 7:00 PM.

President Vosmera welcomed all those present, thanking guests and new members for attending. Attendees numbered 35 including 8 guests. Guests were Kathy Taylor, Jim Nardo, Herb Hardwick, Dan Glowa, Warren Ferris, Al Emery, Dan Bubis and his wife Jax Bubis.

Thanks also to Bernice Cramer for bringing the refreshments. Pilgrim figurines from Lois enhanced the serving table with a Thanksgiving theme.

Minutes of the Oct 6 meeting were accepted as published in the *Mainframe*.

Treasurer's Report was posted in the *Mainframe* and sent to members by E-mail.

Lois announced that we have lost as our Educational Chairman, Scott Anthony, because Scott has found work in the field of computers at Cox Communications and those hours conflict with the Thursday and Saturday times for ECCS. Thanks are in order to Scott and Nick Anthony for all the time they have contributed to classes at Westwood and the presentations in club meetings.

Alex Ginzberg's classes at the Library are in progress. Times are from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Saturday.

The Empty Cartridge Re-cycle Project has collected 54 accepted-brand cartridges for a refund value of \$112.

Five additional cartridges have been turned in that are not on the accepted list. The Web site to order fresh cartridges is [www.inkSmile.com](http://www.inkSmile.com).

A workshop for “Build Your Own Computer” remains an idea for something in the future when persons wanting to build a computer come forward with any interest they may have.

An explanation of nominations and the election of 2006 club officers was re-presented as a reminder to all who would be interested in these proceedings.

The new “Meeting Greeter Program” was served by Jim and Mary Douglas. Thanks to them for an excellent job. Others are asked to volunteer so there is a **sharing in active membership**.

The December meeting will also be our Christmas party. Lois is requesting three to four members who have ideas about decorations and foods/dishes to help set up the meeting room for a festive look with delicious food and treats.

The Board meeting will be Monday, November 7, at 7:00 p.m. in the Westwood Media Room.

Harvey Hall won the \$20 Pot of Gold. Four door-prize winners: Larry Bush, Lloyd Battiste, Al Emery, and Jerry Moore.

The meeting adjourned and Hugh Gautier gave the

# program on “Helpful Windows XP Tips”.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bernice Cramer