

Emerald Coast Computer Society

Mainframe

May 2006

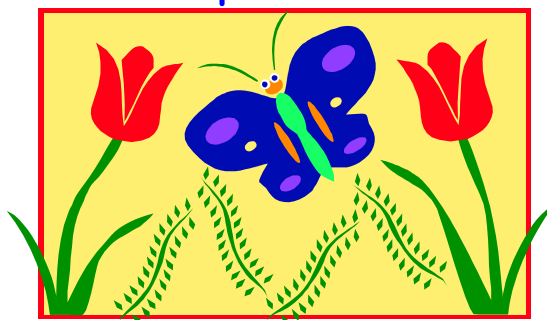
Attention ECCS Members!

May 4, 2006 Meeting Notice

Ft. Walton Beach City Library
Downtown Ft. Walton Beach
Thursday May 4, 2006

6:30 PM Social and Snack Time
7:00 PM business Meeting & Program

Main Presentation by Jerry Moore
"How to use Photo Story 5 to create a
slide show using your
digital camera pictures and music."



May flowers! But whatever happened to the April Showers?

Prez Sezs

Dear ECCS Members,

Greetings to all of you! It's hard to believe that May will be here so soon. Didn't we just start the new year of 2006. Spring is the time we bring out the bug and weed sprays to keep the flower beds and the lawns from being infested with unwanted and harmful pests. This might very well be the time to make sure your computer will not be harmed or destroyed by the vicious and malicious worms, viruses, spyware, Trojan horses, zombies, phishing, and pharming, just to mention a few! It is extremely important that you install an antivirus utility, antispyware, and a firewall on your computer and that you use and regularly update them. Also, keep your Web browser, Windows and all security software current with the latest updates, service packs and free upgrades. Take advantage of automatic updating tools whenever they are available. Security should be a major concern for computer users as never before. **SPRING INTO ACTION-- DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE.**

You won't want to miss the May meeting. Jerry Moore has the Photo Story 5 loaded on the club computer at the library and is all set to show us the step-by-step procedure to follow to put together an awesome slide show of digital pictures. Just think, you can take your pictures, create a slide show complete with music. What a wonderful way to share with family and friends! Hope to see all of you at the meeting.

WESTWOOD SATURDAY CLASS TIME CHANGE

All ECCS and WCC members who have been attending the Saturday classes have expressed agreement to have the Westwood Saturday one-hour computer session start at **3:00 PM** instead of 1:15 PM. This change will give Nick Anthony some additional sleep time prior to the **New start time**. Most of the time Nick gets off work on Saturday at 5:30 AM, but sometimes

he has to work until 8:30 AM. He needs some relaxing time prior to going to bed so this change is essential for his well being.

Saturday, April 29th, will be our first Nick-session with the 3:00 PM starting time. Please plan on attending and bring your questions. Nick always has some plans for each session but is glad to answer questions for any attending member. The classes are held every Saturday at Westwood in Apartment #607.

EMPTIES4CASH PROJECT

We shipped our first batch of used cartridges and have received our first check from the company. I deposited a check for \$125.00 in the club savings account. Please remember to keep saving your used ink cartridges and bring them to our meeting each month. It is certainly a worthwhile project for the club financially, as well as keeping them out of the landfills.

This article will be short since I will be leaving early in the morning to have carpal tunnel surgery on my right hand. I may have limited computer usage for a time, I'm not just real sure how long. But I will be looking forward to seeing you all at the May meeting. Lendy is in Europe, Hugh's computer was recently wiped out, so I may even try to post this on the web. I've never done it before so we'll see how it goes. Meanwhile, you should all receive this via e-mail.

See you at the meeting!

The Prez

Lois Vosmera

EMERALD COAST COMPUTER SOCIETY MINUTES

April 6, 2006

On Thursday, April 6, 2006, in the Ft Walton Beach Library, after a social time of refreshments and 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 all members for attending. Attendees numbered 27 including one guest. Millie Williams introduced Betty Old, who revisits with us frequently. Our newest new members are Dan and Jax Bubis.

For the Mini-Presentation, President Lois gave a short report of the FACUG Conference she attended in Kissimmee, FL.

Minutes of the March 2 meeting were accepted as printed in the Mainframe and on the web site.

Harvey Hall gave the Treasurer's Report. President Lois requested that we have a detailed report for the *May Mainframe*.

Membership Chairman, Hugh Gautier, reported that we have 37 paid-up members. A Membership Roster was given to members attending this meeting.

Alex Ginzburg reported that a new class would begin April 8, 10:00 to 12:00. Classes at Westwood with Jack Gatewood and Nick Anthony alternating will cover Windows Works Suite or Basic Computer and any questions that are presented.

The Pot-o-Gold went to Harvey Hall at \$15. Door prizes went to four or five winners. Future winners, please ID yourselves for your name to be in the minutes.

There will be no Board meeting this month.

Thanks went to Bernice Cramer for providing refreshments and to Jim and Mary Douglas the Meeting Greeters.

The Society still would appreciate others who want to serve as Chairperson for the Greeter Program and a Door-Prize Chairperson. Refreshments will continue to be on a volunteer basis. Are there any volunteers?

A box of 78 used cartridges was mailed to Empties4Cash and the club will be receiving a check for \$125.00 in response to our first shipment sent for the Empty Cartridge Re-cycle Project. The Refreshment Fund stands at \$45.23 with \$7 from donations.

With old and new business accomplished, Madam President adjourned the meeting.

For the Main Program, Jerry Moore began the presentation of digital photos taken on the Moore's adventure in South America. A down-loadable free program was used in setting up the photos for automatic advancing and zooming in and out, along with appropriate music chosen and recorded/played to catch the mood of the scenes. *Very beautiful and soothing.*

The free software program Jerry used can be downloaded from Microsoft and is entitled, Photo Story 5.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernice Cramer