

# Emerald Coast Computer Society Mainframe—November 2006

**Attention ECCS Members!**  
**November 2, 2006 Meeting Notice**

Ft. Walton Beach City Library  
Downtown Ft. Walton Beach  
Thursday November 2, 2006  
6:30 PM Social Time  
7:00 PM Business Meeting & Program

**Main Presentation:**  
**“Creating a double-sided Christmas Letter complete  
with automatic addressing by utilizing Microsoft  
Word and Excel”  
by Dan Bubis**

**Prez Sez**

Dear ECCS Members,

Today we actually had the cool weather of a beautiful fall day. It was beautiful! Fall is such a nice, energizing time of year! It's also the time of falling acorns and turning leaves. Speaking of turning leaves, we as a club will have some changes this coming year and a turning over to new officers the ECCS leadership. This is the time of year for all members to think about how they might contribute to the society with their time and computing talents so that new and old members alike can grow in their computing skills and knowledge. There are so many possibilities and avenues open in the area of technology and so much to learn. How and what can you share with others?

Following this paragraph is a copy of the e-mail sent to all ECCS members in October. The response to the letter was nil but I am hoping it is because you were thinking and talking to other members to get some ideas and feedback in order to make recommendations. The board met on October 9<sup>th</sup> as a nominating committee since we had no member response. So far we do not have a full slate but I will list what we do have:

President:  
1<sup>st</sup> VP: Jerry Moore  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP and Membership Chairman: Frank Szmere  
Secretary: Bernice Cramer  
Treasurer:

Educational Chairman:  
(Not an elected officer but a recommended appointee) Dan Bubis  
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Copy of E-mail: Please read and feel free to bring with you to the meeting any names of people you would like to recommend be added to the slate.

### **ECCS Needs You!**

It's that time again! Fall is here and it's time to think about next year. The election of officers for our club will be held at the December meeting. We need you to be an active part of our club. You may be asking how you can be a more active part. **I would like to ask you to consider doing the following:**

1. BE sure to renew your membership for 2007.
2. Invite a friend to also be a part of our club. This next year the emphasis will be even more in the area of education for the home computer user. Practical How-to!
3. **We need your input!** If you have a talent in an area of being an officer or serving on a committee in the club---please let me know! No shyness please! I know we have members with talents that I don't know about because there is no way I know you all that well. But you know yourself and some of the other members whom you might recommend.
4. We would like a slate to present at the November meeting. Please submit your recommendations as soon as possible. Of course, nominations will not close until the December meeting.
5. The eccsfwb.org website is up so you can check the ECCS constitution for officer responsibilities.

Respond to this e-mail.

My nomination recommendations are:

President \_\_\_\_\_  
1<sup>st</sup> VP \_\_\_\_\_  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary \_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_

## NWFACUG First Computer Expo

We had a good attendance of ECCS members at the First Annual Computer Expo held at the OWC Campus in Niceville on October 7<sup>th</sup>. The presentations were excellent and the support of the numerous vendors was outstanding. Everyone in attendance walked away with information and some with some super door prizes. Thanks for your support of the Expo.

### “Empties 4 Cash”

Members you are a vital part of making this project successful. Don't forget to save and to bring those empty ink cartridges to the meeting. This means "cash" for our club as we benefit financially and the cartridges will be recycled instead of going into landfills. Why not ask your friends to save their empties for you! You can save money by purchasing cartridges from [www.inkSmile.com](http://www.inkSmile.com).

### See you at the November Meeting!

You won't want to miss the program presentation! It will be a good one! Also, we will announce a special challenge for our members for our December meeting!

Lois Vosmera, The Prez

### **EMERALD COAST COMPUTER SOCIETY Minutes of the General Meeting --October 5, 2006**

On Thursday, October 5, 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 them for attending. There were 24 members attending. Welcome back Bill Frick!

Minutes of the September 7 meeting were accepted as published in the *Mainframe* and sent to members via e-mail.

Harvey Hall gave the Treasurer's Report and it was the same as in the Mainframe. In Hugh's absence, Harvey explained that for our Website, the Host and the Domain were not interfacing to get the site going. It was announced that the previous site, though believed to be dead, was indeed still reachable.

The questionnaires handed out last month went to Dan Bubis for planning future presentations and lessons.

Library computer classes, began September 23, continue every Saturday though November 4.

The Empties4Cash Cartridge recycle program is ongoing with Jack Culwell keeping a count.

The Computer Vendor Mini-Expo, October 7 was anticipated, looking forward to all the Vendors that will give presentations about their products. Lois reminded us to send a thank you note to the Vendor from whom we may win a prize.

October's Pot-o-Gold (\$21) winner was Frank Again Szemere. Only one door prize was available, an issue of Smart Computing Magazine.

A Board Meeting for this month was planned for Monday, October 9.

Thanks to Bernice Cramer and Charlene and Bill Howard for supplying ice and beverages. The Refreshments Fund collected \$1.00 and the beverages were donated. The Fund now has \$46.36.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Election time is fast approaching for the 2007 Officers. Volunteers for a nominating committee and chairperson, as well as those willing to run for the offices, were requested by President Lois.

After several minutes of discussion about the election process and the waning interest for participation of leadership from members who have not held office, Madam President adjourned the business meeting.

The Program was conducted by Dan Bubis who gave an impromptu presentation on usage of attributes and amenities available on the tool bar and the drop-down menus that are provided.

Respectfully submitted, Bernice Cramer