

# The Shell Scoop

Englewood Shell Club



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## President's Notes

Some of you really took my New year's wish seriously! It was not too long after the last issue of the *Scoop* that two of our members each found a beautiful Junonia. Congratulations ladies! Perhaps I should now suggest that all of you find a Wentletrap or two. Do I see a shelling trip to Sanibel in the near future?

Only one more meeting for the season. We sure did make good use of our club activities this year. I have very much enjoyed my year as ESC president. It is a great feeling to see the progress we have made, and the fun we have had. Most of all I treasure the friendships that have come about with getting to know all of you. Let's hope that next year will be just as promising. *Debbie Freeman*

## Making Changes

*The Shell Scoop* has gone black and white. Debbie was printing the newsletter at home, in color, but as the number of issues needed is increasing, it has become necessary to send our newsletter out for printing.

After looking into the cost of color verses black and white there was no question - the color had to go. We hope you will enjoy the *Scoop* just as much as ever in it's new well-groomed attire. You will still find us in color on our web site: <http://englewoodshellclub.org>

## All In One Week

The second week of March was a busy one. We began on Monday the 8th, with the study group meeting.

Rain washed out the road at the fossil pit in Arcadia the week before, so we had to reschedule for Tuesday, the 9th. Everyone who signed up still got to go. We found several new fossil shells, and teeth. Thanks to Mark Renz, for being such a great host.

On Thursday the 11th, many of us enjoyed the Stump Pass boat and shelling trip that Judy Curtin and Arlene Poetz planned for us. The weather could not have been nicer, and there were plenty of shells to pick from. The best find had to be the huge worm cluster that Pete Solanics came across. It's a beauty!

We ended that week with our shell flower craft class on Friday. You could tell we were tired by then. I saw people leaving with cotton stuck to their fingers, coquinas glued to their shirts, and enough hot glue threads to make a spider web. Oh yes, the flowers were nice too!



## CRAFT CORNER

By Rosemary Kurt

Appropriately, on Valentine's Day, the ESC crafters made Sailor's Valentines, and they were beautiful! There were 23 members attending the class and a couple of the ladies made TWO Valentines!

By now our third craft class is over and our flowers have been made thanks to our able-bodied teachers, and the "Quickie Craft" (a glass shell-filled candle holder) is likely adorning our homes. We will continue on April 2nd when we bring back to class the flowers we made on March 12th and any flowers we created on our own since learning how.

In April we will learn flower arranging using our shell flowers, greenery, filler, and a basket.

We collect in advance for each class. If you have any questions, please contact Rosemary Kurt at 473-0844, e-mail: [rokurt@comcast.net](mailto:rokurt@comcast.net).

## Another Volunteer

Barb Myers has asked Linda Powers to take over the keeping of our scrapbook. Linda's creative flair makes her the right person for the job.

Please join me in saying thank you to both Barb, for keeping the scrapbook going since day one, and to Linda, for taking it on from here.

The scrapbook will be kept in our library, and will be available to our members at each meeting.

## For Your Calendar

\*Please note the change of date for our next study group. We will be meeting on Mon., April 19, not the 12th. At Cedar Point Park, 1 P.M. Contact Barb Myers: 473-2124 or e-mail at [barbjerr@comcast.net](mailto:barbjerr@comcast.net)

\*Craft class will be held on Fri., April 2, at Tringali Recreational Center. Contact Rosemary Kurt: 473-0844 or e-mail at [rokurt@comcast.net](mailto:rokurt@comcast.net)

\*Our end of the year meeting will be held on Tues., April 27. Beginning at 12 noon, at the home of Debbie Freeman. Contact Judy Curtin: 460-0649 or e-mail at [cora44@aol.com](mailto:cora44@aol.com)

