

**Englewood Shell Club  
General Meeting  
January 15, 2013  
Englewood Elks Club**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by President Nancy Weborg.

**Business Meeting**

Nancy presented the Treasures report. Our balance is currently \$8,140.01.

Programs- Nancy reported that the speaker for February will be James Cordy, "Eleuthera 2012".

Excursions-Deb Freeman reported that the January Carefree Learner Trip went well. Refunds were given out from the canceled December trip.

Ruth Middlebrooks reported that the Useppa trip still has openings. Everyone will be meeting at the White Elephant on Boca Grande. The Tropic Star will be picking everyone up at 9:00a.m.

The trip to Cedar Key is set for Feb 26/27. Ruth talked about how the fee for the trip is split out. Those going on the trip will be meeting at The Elks at 7:00a.m. to meet the bus.

Beach Walks-Darlene Gallentine reported that Feb 13th will be the next beach walk at Boca Grande Beach 10:00a.m.

Sunshine –If any member knows of a person who needs a card they should let Carol Genest know.

Communications –Mary Linda Coward is the editor. Pres. Nancy reminded us that the deadline for all information going into the March newsletter will be March. 15<sup>th</sup>. [ESC Newsletter@aol.com](mailto:ESCNewsletter@aol.com).

Social- Nancy reported that the picnic is being planned for the April meeting. It will be a potluck, with the club buying hamburgers and beverages.

Library – Judy Green reported that all the outstanding books have been returned. Everyone was reminded to return books every month. She mentioned that she will not be the Librarian next year and we are looking for volunteers.

Membership – Katherine reported that we have 153 paid members. Nancy passed out new member packets. The January meeting is the cutoff date for paid members to be put in the current roster.

Merchandising - The merchandize is here and for sale.

Study Group-The group will meet on Feb 4th at Deb Freeman's house at 1:00. She mentioned that this is a great way to learn about different shells.

Shell Crafters- Sandi Ouderkirk reported on Shell Crafters. The next meeting will be February 14<sup>th</sup>. The group will be making Shell Mirrors. The cost is \$7.00 for the rental of the room plus \$7.00 for the materials. She is looking for ideas for next year.

Outreach-Jane reported that the next outreach is in March at the Chapel House on Boca Grande.

Linda Powers introduced our speaker of the month: Karen VanDerven. She had a slide presentation on her shelling trips.

### **Old Business**

The nominating committee for the 2013/14 slate of officers will be Judy Green, Ruth Middlebrooks, and Helen Gardner.

### **New Business**

The club voted to have a Shell sale at the March meeting. The volunteers will meet after the February meeting to bag and tag. Club members will be donating shells.

Beth Hamilton presented the shell of the month. The shell was a beautiful Angel Wing that she found on one of her shelling trips.

Donations- The club will be making a decision on where donations will be going. A request was made that the board consider a donation to the COA.

The COA convention for 2013 will be held in July in Sarasota.

We had our drawing for door prizes.

The meeting was adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,  
Shari Loechler, Secretary