



# Sea Shell Searchers Newsletter

September 2006

## President's Message

Just a reminder that the club will be hosting Jamboree in May. If you are interested in helping with Jamboree, talk to Wanda Coker.

## Next meeting:

October 3, 2006, 7:00 pm

Program: Rusti Stover - Sands of the World

Food provided by: Pot Luck, everyone bring something to share

Drinks provided by: volunteers

Editor's note: I am not including tide charts. For current charts see:

Tide

Sun

[www.saltwatertides.com](http://www.saltwatertides.com)

Moon

Tide

## Sea and Shore Shell Exhibit

All members of the Sea Shell Searchers are eligible to participate in the Sea and Shore Division of the Brazoria County Fair. Wayne has "a few cases left" to fill. You may also bring your own cases. We have been told that we will have a new area in the same building that should be more secure. The school art division is moving into our building so we will have plenty of visitors in our building.

Please consider entering the show. For more information call or email Wayne Humbird.

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Guess the family

Is shell number 1

- a. an olive
- b. a tun
- c. a volute
- d. none of the above

Is shell number 2

- a. a murex
- b. a strombus
- c. a tun
- d. none of the above

Editor's note: Some of our members seem to be able to look at a shell and name the family to which it belongs. When one has an unfamiliar shell, knowing or having an informed guess at a family is a good start in identifying the shell. I hope to have more challenging shells to identify the family in the next issues.

CALL TO ORDER: The September 5, 2006 meeting of the Sea Shell Searchers was called to order by president Steven Coker. Members were welcomed back for the new shelling year and the president introduced the new officers for 2006-07:

President: Steven Coker

Vice President: Wanda Coker

Treasurer: Patty Humbird

Recording Secretary: Janey Nill

Corresponding Secretary: Dean Harris

Dean Woodard thanked the Cokers and Humbirds for their long-term hard work with the shell club.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Minutes were approved as sent out in the newsletter.

Freida made motion to accept minutes as mailed and Rusty seconded. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Patty Humbird passed the task of reporting the Treasure's Report to her "assistant" Wayne Humbird who reported that from September 1, 2005 to September 1, 2006, the club brought in \$3,172.85 and expenditures were \$2,308.71, with a gain of \$865.14.

We had two shell shows this past year spending \$2,675.80 with earnings of \$1,446.00. The loss of \$1,229.80 didn't show up in the 2006 Treasures report, since down payment for the facilities was made before Sept 1.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Newsletter: Patty Humbird - As you are paying your dues be sure she has your correct address and email address. It was suggested to check your Spam folder if your newsletter is missing.
2. Field Trips: Darwin Alder - no report.
3. Hospitality: Freida White - Will pass around food list next month
4. Historian: Irene Norris - Needs list of winners of Shell Show, names should be on the Internet site by next month.
5. Exhibits: Dean Harris - no report.
6. Auction: Wayne Humbird - The auction will not be held in September due to the Jamboree being held in May 4-5, 2007. Donations are being accepted for the Jamboree. Suggestion was made that the club rent a storage room for the auction items due to lack of space in members homes. President asked for a report on cost of storage space for next meeting.
7. Programs: Wanda Coker - Rusty Stover will do the program on Sands of the World and Sand Collecting for October and the Barzizas will do a "Travelogue" at a future meeting including North Pole, South Pole, Amazon, etc.
8. Shell Show: Wanda Coker, Patty Humbird - no report.
9. Museum Project: Janey Nill - no report.

#### OLD BUSINESS

None

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. President asked all committee chairs to estimate budget needs and turn them in to him by next month.
2. Texas Shellers' Jamboree - Wanda presented a slide show presentation on the Jamboree, which will be hosted by Sea Shell Searchers in May, 2007. A discussion followed.
3. Membership - 2006-07 dues were due at September meeting.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Brazoria County Fair in October; see Wayne Humbird if interested, he has a few cases left. Setup is October 7 and the Fair starts October 13-21.
2. Wayne presented Plaque from the museum to Dean Woodard for 10 years of Volunteer Service.
3. Historian requested a picture be made of the new officers.
4. Rusti announced information about the Houston Gem and Mineral Show at the Humble Civic Center on September 22-24, 2006.
5. Joey announced he lost 2 teeth.
6. The question was asked: How long has the Shell Club been Active. There was some discussion as to what the actual answer was.  
The final answer after checking: It will be 30 years next year.
7. Wanda announced that Pat Lang passed away last month and a card was signed.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Cliff Harris and seconded by Wayne Humbird to adjourn. Motion passed.

PROGRAM: COA slide show and information by Wanda Coker.

DOOR PRIZES: Were donated and won by several members.

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