

San Jacinto Star



A newsletter for and about members of San Jacinto Chapter 139 of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors.

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Photos courtesy of Darrah Artzner

Annual Business Meeting

Chapter 139's annual business meeting was held February 12, in conjunction with a one-day mart and a presentation by Marcus Bush and Del Rolison on the Chapter Skeleton Clock project. The meeting was well-attended and several important chapter business

items were finalized.

Tim Glanzman presided over the election of new officers and filling vacant Board of Director positions. Elected by unanimous vote were Darrah Artzner, president; Marcus Bush, vice president; John Trego, treasurer; and Cheryl Davis, secretary. Tony Singleton, Brian Martin, and Robert McGee were elected to serve on the Board of Directors.



In other business, the membership

voted to amend the constitution to move the renewal date for all chapter dues to January. This change will simplify the dues renewal process and maintenance of the membership roster. Treasurer John Trego will send out renewal notices to all members in the next few weeks.

After the chapter business meeting, the new officers and board met to discuss the upcoming All Texas Chapters Regional. The date for the show has been set by National for August 26-28, 2011. This year marks the end of our 10-year contract with the JW Marriot Hotel as the site of the regional. Tim Glanzman and Darrah Artzner will begin the process of negotiating a new contract with the hotel, as well as investigating other venues. An ad announcing the regional will appear in the April issue of The Mart. Plans call for a follow up ad in the June issue.

Also discussed was allowing the general public into the Mart. Several chapters currently invite the public on the second day of their regionals. One primary concern was providing adequate security for the table holders who are frequently away from their tables.

Input from the membership on these and other chapter matters is important and encouraged.



Tim Glanzman

Outgoing president Tim Glanzman has served San Jacinto 139 as president for the past two terms and for many years prior. Tim has been instrumental in setting up a permanent home for the Saturday Tech Sessions and founding a chapter library. He graciously donated a room of his building for chapter use and has worked tirelessly promoting the chapter and its activities.

Although business concerns occupy much of his free time, Tim has committed to help the chapter organize the 2011 All Texas Chapters

Regional. The Board wishes to join the members and take this opportunity to thank Tim for his years of service to San Jacinto 139.

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Saturday Tech Sessions

Setup in an informal, open-bench format, the Saturday Tech sessions are designed as a place for members to bring any clock, watch or horologically-related item that they have questions about; or need help in getting running. Volunteer members offering many years of experience in clock and watch making are on hand to offer suggestions, advice and technical help as needed.

In recent sessions, members Del Rolison, Ben Fulbright, Darrah Artzner, Mike Helfrich, Marcus Bush, Tim Glanzman, and a host of other volunteers have helped other members with chime train adjustments, pocketwatch repair, beat setting, battery-powered 400-day clock adjustment, and clock bushing.

Most sessions also offer a Mini-Learning program on various aspects of clockmaking. The programs are presented at random times so they will not interfere with the work being done on individual projects.

Bring whatever tools you think you might need. Host members usually have some tools to assist or investigate projects, but not to give out long-term. At present, all work must be taken home at the end of each session; however, plans are being made to allow long term projects to stay at the facility until the work has been completed.

No project? Just come by, visit and consider it a mental session.

When: Saturday Tech Sessions are held on the second Saturday of each month, unless the date interferes with a planned Chapter activity. 8a to 12n. Check the Chapter 139 website at http://sanjacinto139.homestead.com/index.html for the latest information.

Location: Turn-Key Coatings, 8411 Rannie Road, Houston, Texas 77080 (just off of Hempstead Highway / near Bingle). The space is donated by fellow member, and company owner, Tim Glanzman.



Member Del Rolison demonstrates proper barrel and loop mainspring maintenance at a recent tech session. Del has been a great supporter of the Saturday Tech Sessions and currently heads up the chapter skeleton clock class.

Volunteers: Members that have technological knowledge are encouraged to attend and assist others. Member Advisors do not have to commit to attending every month. Just contact Darrah Artzner at darrahg@aol.com and let him know when you would like to attend. Do you have a mini presentation of something technical you can present? Let us know!

Future Mini Learning Sessions:

- 1. Removing, cleaning and installing clock springs
- 2. Clock bushing.
- 3. Lathe work and maintenance.
- 4. Wood Lathe box construction (similar one used by Field Workshop instructor)

Donations: Anyone wishing to donate tools, clock parts, topical books, cleaning solutions etc. will be greeted with open arms.

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors, Inc.

San Jacinto Chapter 139 is affiliated with the NAWCC, the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors, Inc. NAWCC is a nonprofit and scientific corporation founded in 1943 and now serving the horological interests of more than 30,000 members around the world.

To find out more about the NAWCC, or to apply for NAWCC membership, click here for the NAWCC Home Page.

San Jacinto Chapter 139

2011 Board Members

President	Darrah Artzner
Vice-President	Marcus Bush
Secretary	Cheryl Davis
Treasurer	
Directors	
	Tony Singleton
	Robert McGee

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Skeleton Clock Project



Marcus Bush discusses the Chapter Skeleton Clock project during February meeting.

Fourteen months ago, eight Chapter 139 members embarked on a journey to build a skeleton clock.

Led by Del Rolison and with plans obtained from National, the members began with a new

Hermle movement and blank brass stock and finished with a working clock.

Del was tapped to lead the project because of his extensive background in machining and machine shops. This experience would come in handy many times throughout the project. In addition to locating a source for water-cutting the front and back plates, he created custom jigs for drilling pivot holes and turning the chapter ring.

When faced with the problem of drilling pivot holes through both plates with a tiny bit at the same time, Del located a special drill press attachment that allowed users to hand control the drilling process. All five holes were drilled in 16 plates with only one broken bit.

The members participating in the project were: Dan Riley, Tim Glanzman, Don Leason, Marcus Bush, Joe Mixon, Jack Goldberg, George Kabicinski, Gordon Shahin and Del Rolison, instructor. To date, five clocks are completed.

A future class is under consideration, depending on member interest.



June 8-12

Overland Park Convention Center Overland Park, Kansas

The 2011 National Convention is within driving distance next year, so let's have a good showing of San Jacinto 139 members in attendance!

Click here for more information from the NAWCC Website

Make plans to attend and get your hotel reservations early!

Our Home on the Web



The San Jacinto Chapter 139 Web Site is your source for Chapter information, scheduled events, pictures of chapter activities, and so forth. The site is updated regularly by Darrah Artzner - webmaster and the wizard behind the curtain. It can be found by entering the following web address in your internet browser:

http://sanjacinto139.homestead.com

If you don't have the address handy, just Google **san jacinto 139** or locate the link on the NAWCC web site under Community > Chapters.

How ever you get there, the site is an important means of broadcasting Chapter information. Help us to keep it current by

sending us your contributions - stories, pictures of clocks and watches, special events, member news, etc - everything will be greatly appreciated.

Contact Darrah at darrahg@aol.com with submissions, questions, or comments regarding the site.

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All Texas Chapters REGIONAL

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Friday, August 26, 2011

1:00p-3:30p Unloading (Mart vacated at 3:30p)

1:00p Registration Opens

1:30p - 3:30p Chapter 139 Hospitality

4:00p - 8:00p Mart Open

Saturday, August 27, 2011

7:30a - 8:30a Breakfast Banquet

8:45a - 5:30p Lecture / Workshops

9:00a - 6:00p Mart Open

6:15p - 7:15p Saturday Evening Event

Sunday, August 28, 2011

9:00am-2:00pm Mart Open / \$500 Grand Door Prize

- "It's For Free" Table, Silent Auctions, Door Prizes
- Grand Door Prize on Sunday \$500 in Mart Money
- 24-Hour Security
- Breakfast Banquet on Saturday



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Only registered members and their immediate family (i.e. spouse and children 17 and under (ID required)) are permitted in the MART room. Children 18 and over must have their own NAWCC card.

For more information contact John Trego • 936-756-7650 • alltexaschapterregional139@gmail.com

Deadline for pre-registration is August 12, 2011.

Mana		NAMOC #
Name _		NAWCC #
_	(Your name as you want it to appear on your badge)	

Street Address _____ Email _____

 City ______
 State _____
 Zip ______
 Phone (_____)

 Spouse / Children Names (if applicable)

Are you a: ___ NAWCC Old Timer ___ Fellow ___ Star Fellow ___ National Officer (Office Held:_____)

I am bringing: ___Clocks ___ Watches ___ Supplies ___ Books

Pre-Registration	Quantity	Amount	Total
Registration (each adult)		\$25.00	
Registration (17 & under)		Free	
Breakfast Banquet (Saturday)		\$15.00	
Tables (6 foot)		\$30.00	
Total Amount Due			

Please make checks payable to: San Jacinto Chapter 139

★ Send completed form and payment to:
 John Trego
 11258 White Oak Way

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Only two (2) exhibitor's badges will be issued per table purchased.

On-site registration is \$30.00 No charge Sunday.

For hotel reservations, contact the **JW Marriott-Galleria** directly: 1-800-228-9290 or 713-961-1500. Please make your reservations by **August 4, 2011** to take advantage of a special NAWCC room rate of \$98 per night.

August 26-28, 2011

Houston Texas