

## 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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## President's message

#### **Very First Chapter Sponsored Silent Auction**

Are you ready for something new and exciting? Well, your Board members have been doing just that. Besides having a new location for hosting our August Regional and new convention schedule, we decided to sponsor the first Chapter sponsored Silent Auction. It will be held during the Friday evening social where everyone can snack, mingle and bid. One hundred percent of this auction will go toward your Chapter. All clocks, watches and other related items are being donated by fellow members and others interested in supporting our cause. Donations are being brought to the Technical Session location (fellow member, past president and building owner Tim Glanzman) where each item is numbered, photographed, described, referenced by donor, categorized by condition, and stored. Several members have volunteered to check out items for repair and or restoration. Some have already come back in super condition and I thank each and every one of them for doing such a fine job. We have some very talented members in this Chapter and everyone needs to be aware of this because these are clocks that will by included in the auction. They are 'ready to run' and not just 'project' clocks. Some of the repairs are easy and some are more complex and each member chooses what suits his or her capabilities.

We are still accepting donations and you can participate by bringing your item(s) to the next Technical Session (location can be obtained from the <u>San Jacinto Website</u>). You may also stop on by and sign one out to clean and service. Contact any Board member if you need to make other arrangements to donate, select an item to restore or just need more information about the process. We also have drop off points and will even do a 'pick up' if within reason. All horological materials will be accepted such as tools, books, cleaning supplies etc. and become the property of the Chapter for auction purposes. Tax deductible forms are available to donors.



Gilbert mantle, fixed key wind.

Take a look at more examples of the silent auction clocks pictured below.

#### Welcome new member!

Roy Jones – Angleton, Texas



Mission clock.

Electric clock, 1953, restored, all original



Ultrasonic cleaner.

Solid brass body. Check out pictures of the restored clock on the Chapter <u>website</u> along with many others that will be included in the auction.



Waiting for member help.

This is just a small sampling of items that will be auctioned and most if not all will be presented on your web page when it gets closer to Regional time.

Consider using your talents to help bring these clocks back to their glory – all to help the Chapter! Stop by the next Tech Session and check out one of these clocks.

#### All Texas Chapters Regional Main Exhibit: Novelty, Advertising and Ephemera of Horology

The 2012 Regional Main Exhibit will be titled Novelty, Advertising and Ephemera of Horology. The exhibit will include three categories of horological items: Novelty clocks – unique, odd and repurposed clocks and watches; Advertising clocks and watches; and Ephemera – such as advertisements, tickets, brochures and receipts. Individuals often collect ephemera as mementos or souvenirs because of their association with some person, event or subject.

This exhibit is member supported and if you have any clocks or related items that fit into any of the categories noted above and would like to participate, contact <u>Nita Mixon</u>. She is the project leader and can answer whatever questions you might have. This promises to be an amazing exhibit, and it may be your opportunity to introduce someone to a new aspect of horology. Don't hesitate! Contact Nita today and help make this the best exhibits ever!

#### Some examples of advertising and ephemera







#### May One-Day

I enjoyed last month's show very much and hope others did as well. We received donations for our Chapter sponsored up and coming Silent Auction and appreciate the member support. Ben Fulbright, a member of the National Membership Committee and a Charter Member of Chapter 139, offered a brief presentation concerning the membership in the NAWCC. A major part of the presentation was a demonstration of some methods he has used to recruit new members. A short survey was taken of those in attendance to determine a little more concretely the attitude of members toward the organization and how they felt that it might be strengthened.

When I left the show I noticed I had something new in my hands. It is a roasting jack that uses a clock styled movement to rotate food while cooking in front of a fire. I plan on writing the item up in detail later on but, for right now, this picture will have to do.



## New from you

~ Avin Brownlee

New Haven "Tiber"





This unremarkable looking clock is the NEW HAVEN "Tiber", manufactured around 1900. It is a 30-hour, time and strike with an alarm. What makes this little clock special is the movement, which has a "between the plates" alarm. If you look closely at the dial you see three winding arbors. The arbor between five and six is for the alarm. When this clock strikes the hour, there is a crisp, pleasant sound on a chrome or nickel-plated bell. When the alarm sounds, using the same bell, the sound is actually quite unpleasant and certainly gets one's attention. The case is in excellent shape and the dial, pendulum and glass are all original.

As I was researching this movement I found it in several New Haven models and one Chauncey Jerome clock. Eight day

and thirty hour models were produced. odd variation was a Haven New steeple clock dated to 1860. It had two winding arbors on the dial like other time and strike models. However the right arbor was for time and the left for the alarm. There was no strike train.



"Between the plates" alarms were also manufactured for ogee clocks. Among the manufacturers of these were Forestville Mfg., Wells Forbes, Jonathan Frost and Terry& Andrews. These clocks all used three weights. One of the "between the plates" ogee alarm clocks, made in 1840 by D. Dutton of Mt. Vernon, New Hampshire, had a wooden movement. The oldest clock I found, although there were almost certainly older ones made, was a double deck column and cornice made by Daniel Pratt in 1839.

## Thank you

I would like to thank all of my friends at Chapter 139 who helped me dissolve, sell and disperse most of the clocks, parts, pieces and equipment my late husband had collected. Especially the committee who spent many hours organizing and researching names and numbers of such items.

I have found out, that no matter how strong and together you think you are, "you aren't". They stepped right in to help me. Without it, I have no idea what I would have done. I want them all to know how grateful and thankful I am for their strength, friendship and help at a most stressful time.

With my best regards, Mary Lou Leason

## **Upcoming events**

Mark your calendars now and make plans to attend these upcoming events. Additional details will be provided in upcoming issues of the newsletter as well as on the <u>website</u>.

> July 14-15	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	French Clock Repair – Fred Tischler inst. Turn-Key Coatings*
> July 28-29	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Mold and cast class – Phil Gregory inst. Turn-Key Coatings*
> August 11	8 a.m. – noon	Tech Session*
August 23-25	Thurs – unloading 4 p.m8 p.m. Friday – 8 a.m6 p.m. Saturday – 9 a.m4 p.m.	All Texas Chapters Regional Marriott Westchase 2900 Briarpark Drive Houston TX
September 8-9	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Reverse glass painting class – Phil Gregory inst. Turn-Key Coatings*
Cotober 13	8 a.m. – noon	Tech Session*
November 3	8 a.m.	Chapter 139 One Day Show Grace Community Church 1021 Campbell Rd, Houston 77055 Entry \$5; Table \$5

<sup>\*</sup>Location: All Tech Sessions are held at Turn-Key Coatings, 8411 Rannie Road, Houston, Texas 77080 (just off of Hempstead Highway / near Bingle). Fellow member and company owner, Tim Glanzman, donates the space.

## Hey....

What is the difference between a clock and a watch? Try this definition on for size. A clock has a case that is not designed to conform specifically to the shape to the movement whereas a watch has a case that does.

Of course this definition might still have some questionable grey areas. Here is an example of a watch movement in a case designed as a desk clock (below) that I consider a desk clock. What do you think?





P.S. Bartlett watch movement desk clock

## Hey again....

Do you know anyone who might be interested in joining a premier Watch and Clock Chapter? Remember 139.

## ALL TEXAS CHAPTERS

# REGIONAL



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#### **New Hotel and Convention Center Location**

## Houston Marriott Westchase\* → FREE PARKING ←

August 23-25, 2012 Houston, Texas

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Early Bird Registration	Quantity	Amount	Total	Thursday, Aug. 23, 2012
Registration (ea adult)		\$30.00		4pm-8pm Unload Vendors 4pm-7pm Unloading Social-hot finger food Friday, Aug. 24, 2012
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Registration (17 and under)		Free		7am-8am Unload Vendors
Registration (17 and under) Breakfast Banquet (Sat.)		\$15.00		8am Mart Open 6pm Mart Closed
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# Chapter 139 Treasurer's Report April 6, 2012-June 25, 2012

#### **CHECKING ACCOUNT**

Beginning Balance (3/1/2012)	\$ 8,547.96
Deposits	30,951.05*
Debits	<u>1,600.54</u> **
Ending Balance (4/6/2012)	\$37,898.47
*Deposits\$ 7,177.0	$^{ m 100}$ Membership renewals, Regional registrations, net cash from 1-day $^{ m 1}$
<u>23,774.</u>	05 Cashed in CD and temporarily rolled into checking account <sup>2</sup>
Total\$30,951.	05
**Debits\$715.00	Regional ad in MART
60.00	National dues collected at 1-day; sent to National office
140.00	ATM withdrawal for 1-day; re-deposited
562.01	printing, folding, bulk mail for early bird registration form
10.00	refund to Chapter 15 for dues inadvertently given to Chapter 139
85.87	recurring charges for internet
<u>27.66</u>	Vista Print rubber stamp with Chapter address and logo

- We collected \$216.00 cash at the last 1 day show. We paid \$200.00 cash to Grace Community Church for the use of their building during the 1-day show. That cash was taken from receipts of entry fees and table fees into the show and is not shown on the balance sheet. The excess \$16.00 cash was deposited into the checking account along with the \$140.00 ATM withdrawal noted above.
- <sup>2</sup> CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT

Total.....\$1,600.54

Our CD at Wells Fargo Bank was earning .05% (approximately \$1.00/month on almost \$24,000.) It matured in late May and we cashed it in and rolled the proceeds into our checking account. As soon as all paperwork is in order we will open a new CD account at a local credit union which will earn 1.24% (approximately \$25.00/month).

Erratum: There was a typographical error in the last treasurer's report. The balance of the CD on April 6, 2012 was \$23,773.07, not \$23,777.07.

#### Respectfully submitted,

Avin S. Brownlee, Treasurer

June 25, 2012

Don't wait! Register now for the 2012 All Texas Chapters Regional

August 23 – 25 at the Houston Marriott Westchase

#### FREE PARKING

#### **GREAT PROGRAMS and WORKSHOPS**

FREE PARKING

Want to be a part of making this exciting Regional happen? Contact Marcus Bush, Darrah Artzner or Nita Mixon (Exhibit)

## San Jacinto Chapter 139 – Renewal/Membership application

you are a member of NAWCC and would like to join with other collectors and your friends as a member of San cinto Chapter #139, please complete the form below and return along with \$10.00 dues to Avin Brownlee, apter 139 Treasurer, 1123 Glendale Dr., Sugarland, TX 77479. Please make checks payable to San Jacinto Chapter 9. A spouse/significant other can join for an additional \$3.00 per year. If registering your spouse/significant her, please include their full name as well.					
Membership is concurrent with the calendar year, and renewals are due each January.					
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o reduce time and expenses, all newsletters and Chapter 139 correspondence will be distributed electronically to embers with email addresses. Not only does electronic distribution save money, it's good for the environment.					