



NAWCC FLORIDA SUNTIME CHAPTER 19

Sunday, November 11, 2012

**MART opens to
General
Admission at
8:00 AM**

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LAKELAND, FL

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2012 MEETINGS:

- Jan 8, 2012
- Mar 11, 2012
- May 20, 2012
- July 8, 2012
- Sep 9, 2012
- Nov 11, 2012

TABLE COVERS MANDATORY FOR ALL DEALER TABLES

- 7:30 Pre-Registered members enter
- 9:00 – 10:00 COFFEE AND DONUTS (DONATIONS WELCOME)
- ALL MORNING - SILENT AUCTION TABLES
- 10:30 WORKSHOP – NO WORKSHOP SCHEDULED
- 11:30 BUSINESS MEETING Maximum attendance is encouraged.
- **FREE JIMBO'S BBQ LUNCHEON** follows business meeting.

Chapt. 19 pre-registration form for 2013 is on page 2.

MOST INTERESTING TIMES

It's hard not to relate what we are doing, even in our rather narrow horological world, to the changing situation in our country. Of course, I am writing this before the US election, but our meeting will follow that event, so a little reflection seems in order.

Many of us probably differ in our political opinions, so I will attempt to avoid taking sides. However, one doesn't have to look too hard to see the effects of government leadership on our lives.

In the extreme are those among us who have sustained injury or lost loved ones in battle. A tremendous price, especially if, in your opinion the reason for participation in the war was questionable.

A more contemporary impact attributable largely to our government's actions is the price you are paying for gasoline. As a result of this and so many other harmful financial impacts, each of us is seeing less disposable income to spend on luxuries like watches, clocks or even repairs of heirlooms.

An even greater impact especially for watch collectors is the scrapping of fine old timepieces for the value of their gold.

By the time we meet, the election will have been settled. We'll begin a new four-year adventure, and I can only hope we will begin to stem the apathy that has caused Americans to forget that, though we use the name "State" we are 50 countries united under a banner of stars and stripes. We elect representatives to speak for us in Washington. Let us not forget that we are their employers, not their subjects.