



# NAWCC FLORIDA SUNTIME CHAPTER 19

Sunday, September 9, 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 – HEAT TREATING by KEN PELL
- 11:30 BUSINESS MEETING Maximum attendance is encouraged.
- **FREE JIMBO'S BBQ LUNCHEON** follows business meeting.

## WE CAN STOP THE TIMEPIECE, BUT NOT THE TIME

Hard to imagine were in the ninth month of a year that seems to have started just hours ago. Certainly it's the accumulation of lifetime years that makes each new one seem so much shorter. To a young child a year is a significant percentage of the total life, but the older you are the less the percentage represented by each year.

With the passing of time we also lose friends, and on July 29, 2012 Chapter 19

lost a friend and active member, **Bob Pecci**. Many of us noticed his absence at the July meeting and were informed that he was not in good health. **Bob** lost his long battle with cancer.

**Bob's** daughter **Meredith** plans to continue attending Chapter 19 meetings, setting up tables to sell his clocks, tools and parts. We encourage you to stop by and say hello to her.

**Roger Moses** has arranged a donation to the Moffett Cancer Center from Chapter 19 in memory of **Bob**.

## HEAT TREATING WORKSHOP

What amazing resources we have in Chapter 19, like **Ken Pell**, a second generation watch repair expert with so many years of experience as a watch and clock instructor. **Ken** continues to tap into his many resources to bring us valuable workshops. This month, combining his own knowledge with material from AWCI, **Ken** covers the important and challenging topic of **Heat Treating**. This is one of those specialties that illustrates how complex and diverse are the skills required in watch and clock repair.

There is little doubt that our workshops are a major part of each meeting. The sad part is that all this incredible knowledge, presented by some of the most experienced and skilled people you could find anywhere is only being shared among ourselves. The workshop format, encouraging audience participation never fails to inform all attendees and even provide a tidbit or a trick to even the most experienced attendees. How much greater it would be if we attract new watch and clock enthusiasts and provide them with this valuable insight and new skills.

### **I have a suggestion.**

Invite a guest to attend a Chapter 19 meeting and attend a workshop. If they will make their presence known at the **workshop** we will refund their meeting admission cost.

### **FUTURE TOPICS FOR WORKSHOPS**

Workshop presentations have so often been made by a very few of our members. I hope that nobody thinks there is a restriction on who can make a presentation. We encourage more volunteer presenters to step up. Our group represents a great diversity of skills, and the world of watches and clocks, with all its history and traditions, is also evolving.

Examples of traditional topics that could be presented

include **case work** on wood, marble or metal clock cases or all manner of watch cases. **Movement identification** is another topic with great possibilities in either the watch or clock realms. With the very significant emergence of **Ebay**, a topic of selling tips, buying guidelines or effective presentation would be valuable.

This just touches on the workshop possibilities. We welcome any suggestion for a topic you would like to present. **Share your knowledge and experience.**

### **SILENT AUCTION**

**Opportunity for a little extra fun, participation and \$\$, or even an opportunity to donate silent auction items as a contribution to Chapter 19.**

Bring horological items of any kind, watches, clocks, tools, parts, books, etc. to sell in the **silent auction**. Consider some items that are a little more expensive than would normally be seen on the silent auction tables.

If you want to consider selling an item about which you have concerns of mishandling or abuse, coordinate with the people administering the silent auction so that together you can observe and take precautions with the item on display. If there is an interest in presenting small and valuable items and you don't have a means to secure them, we may be able to offer a

secured display case. Just let us know.

You are not at risk. If your item doesn't sell you are not out anything except the shop space you wanted to gain, since we do not charge for silent auction sales.

Remember how often you have had to search to find a particular item needed for repair. Your excess parts, tools and "junk" may contain exactly what someone else has been looking everywhere to find.

### **NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING**

We have discussed selling advertising space in this newsletter. If you would like to explore this, let us know. The newsletter is distributed prior to each meeting to every NAWCC member in Florida. Our objective would be to help fund Chapter 19, and the cost would be kept very reasonable, though we have not established what that cost would be.

Ed O'Brien