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January Meeting

The first 2013 Chapter 50 meeting was held on January 13th, with 34 folks in attendance. There was a good Mart with plenty of watches, some clocks, a variety of parts and tools. Refreshments were provided by **Mark Smith**, and **Mary Kowalski** and **Jan Jaussaud** assisted in getting things prepared.



In the business meeting, several items of general interest were discussed.

- **MEETING START TIME:** After brief discussion, it was voted to TRY moving the meeting Mart time up to 12:30 PM, with the business meeting to start at 1:30 PM, and the Program to follow.
- **2014 Regional Planning:** It was announced that we have the good fortune to have Co-Chairmen for our next Regional. **Chet Ekstrand** and **Jack Goldberg** will head up our Regional team.
- **NAWCC W&C Bulletin Article:** Chapter 50 member, **Rubens Sigelmann** has an article on "Limiting a Clock Weight Travel" published in the Jan/Feb 2013 Bulletin. You should check it out!
- **NAWCC National Board of Directors Election:** There is an upcoming election to fill positions on the National Board of Directors. We are fortunate to have one of our own members of Chapter 50 running for election to the National Board. **Chet Ekstrand**, member of Chapter 50 and Secretary of Chapter 135 is an outstanding candidate, and deserves our support. Ballots will be sent to all NAWCC members in early February, and must be returned before April 1. Please study the information in the Bulletin and do remember to cast your ballot!

January Meeting, Con't.

- **NorWest Votech School Changes:** **Tom Payne** reported the NWVT is undergoing some changes. **Nils Seifert** has taken over as Lead Instructor for the Clock program, with **Cecilia Dunn** and **Clint Harris** assisting. Both Watch and Clock classes are well attended.

The drawing for the 50:50 door prize was held at the end of the business meeting, and the lucky winner of the \$61.00 prize, was **John Runciman**. This continues the string of nice prize amounts, and is a big help to our Chapter finances!

The program for our January meeting was a video presentation of a silent film done by the US Government showing the manufacturing operations of the Illinois Watch Company. It is amazing to see the level of precision in the manufacturing of the watch parts from about 100 years ago! A very interesting program.

Upcoming Meetings

FEBRUARY 17th:

Our February meeting is on **Feb. 17th**. Note that this is the **3rd** Sunday of the month, NOT the 2nd Sunday, as you would normally expect. The program will be a report by Paul Middents on the research project on the Street Clocks of Joseph Mayer of Seattle. I'm sure you will not want to miss this program. Refreshments will be provided by Donalee Payne.

Also please make note that the "trial" start time will be in effect. The Mart and refreshments will begin at 12:30PM, with the business meeting starting at 1:30 PM, with the program to follow.

March 10th.

On March 10th, the program will be provided by Cecilia Dunn, reporting on her experiences as a student in the North Seattle Watch Technology Program. Cecilia is also going to be bringing the refreshments. Thanks Ceci!

April 14th.

For our April meeting, details of the program are still being worked out, but I'm sure it will be a great program. Rose Olsgaard has volunteered to provide the refreshments.

Chapter 50 Officers 2013



**Your 2013 Chapter 50 Officers are pictured above, and their contact information is as follows:
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Dues are (still) Due!

As you know by now, we are into our new year (beginning in November), and dues are due for the new year for all. So if you have not paid your dues at the last couple meetings, you are probably due. The annual dues are only \$15, so we are hoping that you will help the Chapter pay its expenses and keep us fiscally sound. If you are not sure if you have paid for this year, Ron Kowalski or Dick Krueger will be able to check this for you. Just FYI, we still have approximately 1/3 of our previous members yet to pay for 2013. Thanks (In advance) for your support!



Have **YOU** been to our Horological Museum lately?

This wonderful Northwest resource is located a short drive away in Bellingham, WA.

The West Coast Clock & Watch Museum (WCCWM) opened September 16, 2000 and is located in the Whatcom Museum of History and Art in Bellingham Washington. The West Coast Clock and Watch Museum exhibit resembles a 19th Century clock maker's shop. Visitors are amazed at the scope of the collection and the examples of craftsmanship in each timepiece. The museum exhibits one of the largest collection of Pocket Watches, Clocks and Horological tools west of the Mississippi River. The exhibit is popular with youth and senior groups. In the first year of operation, the exhibit had over 100,000 visitors.

The museum is in its 13th year, but does have parts of the collection that are changed periodically, so you should check it out.

The museum is open Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sundays, from noon to 5 PM. They have over 1 million dollars worth of clocks to see, the earliest dating back to the 17th century.

Chapter 50's 50th is Coming!

Did you know/ remember that we are nearing the 50th year celebration of Chapter 50's founding? The Chapter 50 original Charter was established on September 1, 1964. This means that on 9/1/2014 we will have reached the 50 year mark. Therefore we are now in the 49th year and we need to be doing some thinking about how we will mark our 50th year, when it arrives.

For those of you who are paying attention, you may notice that this newsletter now shows "Volume 49—Number 1". If you were paying attention before, you would also note that the December newsletter was "Volume 47—Number 11". So what happened to Volume 48, you may ask. I have decided to skip 48 to adjust to the correct Chapter year, this being our 49th year. I'm sure this will not cause major problems in the universe!



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Puget Sound Chapter 50

2013 Meeting Schedule

<i>Month</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>PROGRAM – SPEAKER</i>	<i>HOSTS</i>
January	13th	Video – Story of a Watch Mark Smith	Mark Smith
February	17th Note Date Chg.	Joseph Mayer Street Clock Research Paul Middents	Donalee Payne
March	10th	Life & Times of a NSCC Watch Student Ceci Dunn	Ceci Dunn
April	14th	TBD	Rose Oisgaard
May	13th & 14	Connell MultiChapter Pacific Northwest Regional – Clackamas, OR May 16 - 19, 2013	
		NO Regular meeting in Edmonds	
June	9th	TBD	Chet Ekstrand
July	14th	TBD	
August	18th	National Convention - Dayton, OH July 3-6, 2013 Ch. 121 BBQ <u>Williams Park, Langley, BC, Canada</u>	
		NO Regular meeting in Edmonds ? Multi-Chapter 121, 50 & 31? Seattle or Portland?	
September	8th		
October	13th	Regular Meeting - Edmonds Auction Ron Kowalski	
November	10th	Regular Meeting - Edmonds Election of Officers Program TBD	
December	8th	Joint Ch. 135/50 Christmas Party	

Tentative