

# Capital Area Watchmaker and Clockmaker Guild

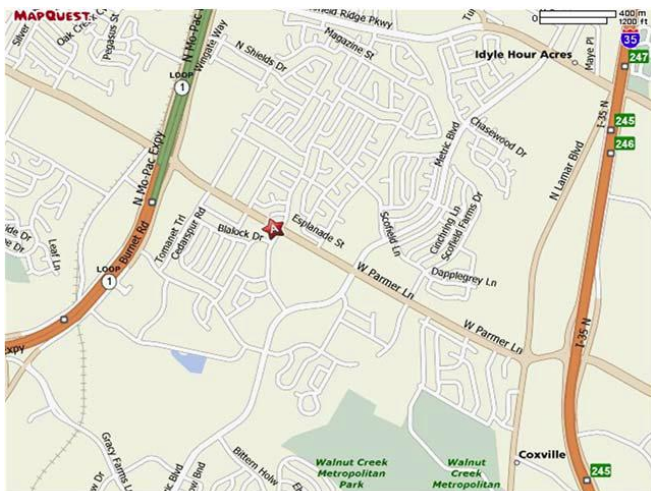
Central Texas Affiliate Chapter - American Watchmakers-Clockmakers Institute (AWCI), [www.cawcg.org](http://www.cawcg.org)

## Meeting Date & Time

Tuesday, January, 24, 2012  
Dinner: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM  
Program: 6:00 PM

## Location

Pok-E-Jo's Smokehouse  
2121 Parmer Lane (near Metric Blvd.)  
Austin, TX  
Phone: 512-491-0434  
<http://www.pokejos.com>



## Program

SW Clock Museum

## Presenter

Gene Galbraith

<b>CAWCG Financial Report: January 2012</b>	
Operating Fund	\$3,044.14
Educational Fund	\$11,827.26
Total	\$14,871.40

## **President's Message**

Dear Fellow Guild Members and Friends,

First, I would like to thank all of you for trusting me to serve as your president. It is truly an honor. In some ways, it is hard for me to believe that it is so. I am doing my best to use the God-given gifts that I have and I will continue to refine them serving you.

Hmm, how did I get here? When I was a boy in high school, I had an affinity to watches. I have always wondered how anyone could have just one watch. I was always searching for the next one, of a different style, vendor, color, or construction. In the late 1970's it seemed the quartz watches were ramping up and I had to have some of those to go with the few mechanical watches I had. I collected watches and I cannot tell you why exactly. I blame it on my German grandfather, Roger Rommel. He had watches, clocks, and more machines than you can imagine. It was my favorite place to go visit. In family style, his garages were always bigger than the house!

An so it went until about 10 years ago, when a co-worker at IBM, David Craft, invited me to my first Guild meeting. You were all so welcoming. I hope that never changes. I joined the Guild, paid my dues, attended every meeting, and consumed all that was said. I don't recall the exact dates, but shortly after those early meetings, we had the first watch class which I eagerly attended. Clueless as I was, I jumped in with my whole self. George Kiser led that Vintage Pocketwatch class and I was fortunate to have the 2011 winner of our Mulholland Award, Duane Bennett, as my instructor. Somehow Duane guided myself and two other gentlemen through the class in which, over the course of

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that Saturday, I disassembled, cleaned, oiled and timed that old 1882 Illinois key-wound timepiece. True to my collector roots, I couldn't give the watch back to George, I bought it. That was a special day I won't forget, to go home with a working timepiece that wasn't working when the day started.

For many years, I attended the meetings and almost every watch and clock class that we had. Gradually, I got up the courage to actually repair some of the timepieces I have. And, when I was in between jobs with IBM and Dell, I started my own small business out of my house. I am not sure if I am making much money, but I do have almost all the tools I need to fix watches in my shop. So, I guess, with your help and encouragement, I have moved from collector, to hobbyist, to repairman. This is true because of

every one of you, but especially George, Dennis, David, Luther, Mary Ellen, Nino, Don, and Duane. I treasure Duane's friendship to this day. He is always so kind and has been a true mentor for me. Inevitably, there is always another job in the mix, where I realize again, I am the apprentice and he is the master!

I plan on leading our Guild, governed by the strengths that I value. The first to me is education. I am confident that many members are here today and involved because of educational programs. I am 100% sure we have won the top guild/group in America from AWCI for the years we have done so due to our educational programs. I also value our Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. It states who we are and what we believe. But most of all, I value your friendship, sharing, and caring. I am not sure how many guilds or industry groups in the world have what we have. It is truly special.

Thank you again for trusting me to serve. I will do my best.

Rob Putney, President of CAWCG

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## Future Horological Events:

Chapter 15 NAWCC: January 28, 2012  
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CAWCG Meeting: February 28, 2012  
Mesquite Regional: March 2 & 3, 2012  
CAWCG Meeting: March 27, 2012  
CAWCG Auction: April 21, 2012  
CAWCG Meeting: April 24, 2012

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## REMINDERS

1. Please keep Nino Gonzales in your prayers. He had a stroke on Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup> and he is recovering at Breckenridge Hospital in Austin TX. His room is 617
2. Please keep and bring your old watch batteries to the meetings for collection. We have a source that will buy the old batteries and keep them from landfills. Doing our part for the environment.
3. Please bring prizes which are given away to the meeting attendees.

## Membership for 2012

*If your name is not below, please see Jay Holloway, Secretary or Hugh Lindsay, Treasurer, to sign up and be an active part of our organization. Dues are \$15 per year. Membership form located on page 3.*

Ann Jurecka  
 Bill Bishop  
 Clint Harper  
 Dan Havlik  
 Daniel Sweet  
 David Craft  
 David Douglas  
 Dennis Warner  
 Don Bugh  
 Don White  
 Elly Howard  
 Ethel Wagner  
 Gene Galbraith  
 Glen Morehead  
 Hugh Lindsay  
 James (Huck) Huckabee  
 James (Jay) Holloway  
 Jerry Zerbe  
 Luther Lucko  
 Mary Ellen Bell  
 Michael Webb  
 Nino Gonzales  
 Patricia (Pat) Holloway  
 Ramona Warren

## CAWCG 2012 Members continued

Richard (Rick) Hopson  
 Robert Brewer  
 Robert (Rob) Putney  
 Robin Shirkey  
 Russell (Rusty) Horn  
 Steve Goodman  
 Wilbert Campos

## Future Program Presenters

February Jay Holloway  
 March David Kraft  
 April David Douglas  
 May Michael Webb  
 June Glen Morehead  
 July Pat Holloway  
 August Don Bugh  
 September Dennis Warner  
 October Mary Ellen Bell  
 November David Arnold  
 December Christmas Party

*We appreciate the effort and time given to CAWCG by our Program Presenters. Please take time to thank them for their efforts to make CAWCG the active organization it is in the Austin area. Be sure to invite friends to attend and join.*

Capital Area Watchmaker & Clockmaker Guild	
Membership Application	
Name	
Address	
City	
State – Zip	
Home Phone	
Work Phone	
Cell Phone	
Email	
Dues: \$15 / Year	
Checks Payable to CAWCG and mail to: CAWCG % Hugh Lindsay 412 Tarrow College Station, TX 77840	
Membership runs from January 1 to December 31 of each year.	

CAWCG  
% Jay Holloway  
1105 Lafayette Lane  
Pflugerville TX 78660

For anyone who missed the 2011 Christmas Party and the awarding of the Mulholland Award, we had great attendance and a wonderful time. Over 50 attended the event which was held at Mimi's Restaurant with Duane Bennett becoming the recipient of the Mulholland Award. Congratulations to Duane for his hard work over the years.