



# The Southeast Rag



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## Chairpersons' Message:



Jack Hostetler- Chairperson

Our April meeting in Naples was another wonderful event. The business meeting went well as always. Then Mark Yaffee and Craig Darlak gave us a report on the planning for the 2021 National meeting. By vote of the members present, the location, hotel and theme were approved (See Julie Morlock minutes). Now Planning will move forward for hotel, collections, busses, table favors, Banquet, entertainment etc.

In Naples, we visited the wonderful collections of Steve Brittain, Jarda Duorak, Bill Edgerton, and William Griffin & Norm Dolder. And

here is a very nice thank you note from Bob & Judy Caletti.

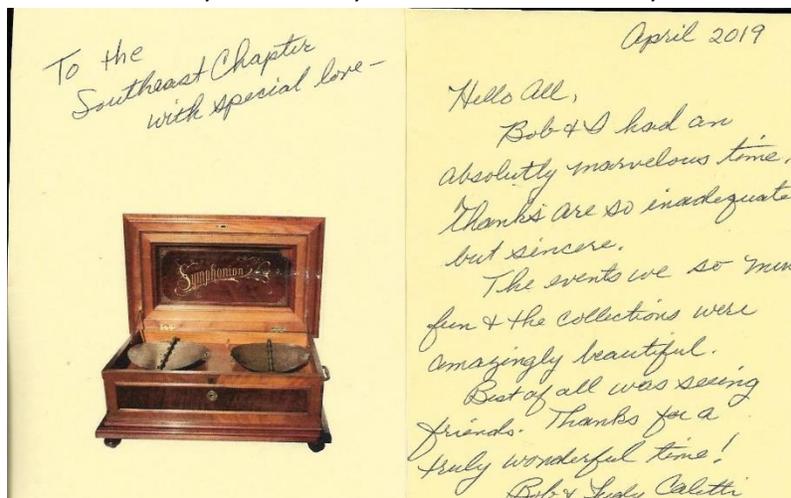
## Upcoming Chapter Events!

**Oct, 25-27 2019** Chapter Meeting. Plantation, Fl.

Organizers: John Leuenberger  
Pam Jancko

**Jan. 24-26, 2020** Chapter Winter meeting  
Walton Beach, Fl      Organizer: Vernon Gantt

**May 2020** Chapter meeting in Tuscaloosa, Al.  
Organizer: Jamie Brewer



## **Chapter Meeting (by Julie Morlock)**



The spring meeting of the Southeast Chapter, in association with the Trustees Meeting, was held April 6, 2019 in Naples, FL. Chair Jack Hostetler called the meeting to order at 9:05 am and explained that he would be moving the meeting along quickly so we could get to the discussion of the 2021 annual meeting. Membership: Julie Morlock reported that there were currently eighty-nine members of the chapter who were paid up at both the chapter and national levels, ten who still owed chapter dues, and 7 who had not renewed at national. Attending the meeting were new members Marvin & Susie Tuchklaper from Plantation, FL. Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting that was held on January 19, 2019 in Tampa, FL were approved as printed in the last issue of the Southeast Rag. Website: Webmaster Clay Witt reported receiving an email from a lady with 10 Peerless piano rolls for sale. If anyone was interested, let him know. Treasurer: Treasurer Clay Witt noted that he had full financial reports available should anyone wish to see them after the meeting. He reported that we currently had \$12,651.64 in assets, including \$10,492.11 in cash and \$2,159.53 remaining in the Tervis Tumblers inventory. He noted that the books show the chapter as \$1,623.22 in the red for this calendar year, but the actual loss is about half that much because most of the expenses of our January 2019 meeting were paid this year, but most of the income for that meeting came in last year. The treasurer's report was approved. Registration: Registrar Julie Morlock noted that 65 had registered for the meeting and 2 extra attended. She asked that name badges be returned after the banquet, and asked to see 2 people after the meeting. Library: Librarian Wayne Finger gave an overview of the checkout process and passed around a list of available books. He also reviewed 3 books: Ethel's World - the Ethel Holmes Collection of Automata, the 1898 Ernst Holtzweissg Catalog of Music Boxes and Automaton, and Put Another Nickle In by Bowers. Newsletter: Jack Hostetler asked that any input and pictures for the Southeast Rag be sent to editor Mary-Ann Hostetler, or to him. Future Meetings: Vice-Chair John Leuenberger asked Bob Yates to discuss the rest of the Naples meeting. Bob thanked everyone for attending, encouraged carpooling due to parking issues for the open houses, and offered bottled water for everyone to take. Julie Morlock reminded everyone to follow the numbered maps for the tours. Bob thanked the workshop presenters, Julie Morlock for her work on registration, and Stephen Brittain and Dale Koehn for the Friday evening open house. John then reported on the following meeting plans: October 25-27, 2019 - Chapter meeting in the Miami, FL area, with open houses offered by Pam and Joel Jancko and Peter Klein. January 24-26, 2020 - Joint meeting with Piedmont in Fort Walton Beach, FL, with open houses offered by Bob and Anita Wingerd and John and Nattaya Leuenberger, hosted by Vernon Gantt. May 2020 - Chapter meeting in Tuscaloosa, AL, Walton Beach, Fl. by Jamie Brewer. August 2021 - 72nd MBSI Annual Meeting, hosted by the Southeast Chapter. Unfinished Business: None. New Business: None 2021 Annual Meeting: Jack Hostetler expressed his belief that the chapter would get this meeting planned well and everyone would help. He reviewed several other meeting themes and asked for theme ideas for 2021 to be emailed to the meeting chairs Mark Yaffe and Craig Darlak, or to him. Meeting Chair Mark Yaffe reported on tentative plans at the Crowne Plaza Fort Myers, with room prices of \$109.00 for a king bed or \$119.00 for two double beds. Planning for 500 room nights Tuesday through Saturday, the hotel offered no food minimum or meeting room charges, and the banquet would be buffet-style. The hotel is older but is currently being refurbished, and is near a shopping mall with restaurants and a variety of chain restaurants within a five minute drive. Dates are for Labor Day 2021. Co-Chair Craig Darlak reported on possible tours to the Mark Yaffe, Bill Hall, and Pam and Joel Jancko collections, possibly others, and open houses offered by Bill Edgerton and Stephen Brittain. He is lining up entertainment options and will narrow it down to three choices for the chapter to vote on later. Mark presented his theme idea. Jack Hostetler asked for volunteers to fill subcommittees. Cotton Morlock suggested attendees be encouraged to come early and visit the Edison and Ford winter estates and the Edison workshop in Fort Myers. Wayne Finger made a motion to approve the hotel choice, the theme and the dates for the 2021 meeting. The motion was approved. It was noted that Julie Morlock would handle registration, Cotton Morlock

would handle hospitality, and Bea Farmer would coordinate buses. We are in need of someone to handle AV and to make the promotional video. Jack Hostetler reminded everyone to keep ideas for table favors quiet; Craig Darlak said he and Mark had an idea that would be useful and easy. Jack thanked Mark and Craig for a job well done. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

### **Welcome New Members:**

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## The Web Corner

By Clay Witt, Chapter Webmaster

Have you visited our chapter's website lately? You can find it at: [www.mbsise.org](http://www.mbsise.org). There is a page with links to lots of photos of events gone by ("Past Events"). Chances are you may find yourself here!

There is a lot more too. Just a few examples are a page you can refer friends to who might like to join MBSI ("Join MBSI"), links to other websites of interest to mechanical music collectors ("Links"), a page with a calendar of upcoming MBSI national and chapter events ("Future Events"), a page with information about books members can check out from the chapter library and how to do that ("Library"), and more! So visit our website from time to time. We think you will enjoy it.

### **The Bill Edgerton Collection**

**Orchestrion from PARIS**



**DECAP JAZZ ORGAN**





Bill playing paper playing machine



Bill showing roller playing machine



Bill with his favorite Nickelodeon

## The Jarda Dvorak Museum



Two Grand Orchestrions, each weight driven ( 250 pound weights)



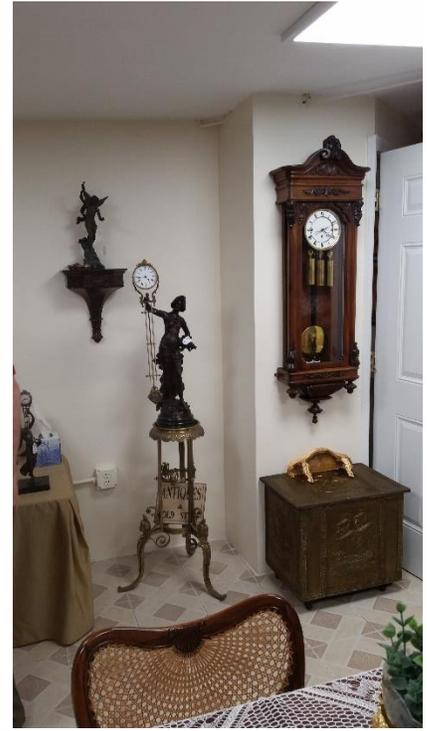
Lovely Band Organ- strong voice



**Automata**



**Clock with collectables**



**Artwork Galore**

**The Norm Dolder and Bill Griffin Collection**



**Hallway clock**



**Cylinder Organ with bells**



**Wall clock**



How sweet it is! Orchids galore.

## Change of address

Linda Alster, 2039 Thurmond Avenue, The Villages, FL 32162, (352) 750 4300, [alsterslp@gmail.com](mailto:alsterslp@gmail.com)

## The collection of Stephen Britain



Steve playing his theater organ



Beautiful Clock



GEE DAD, IT'S A WURLITZER!



Theater organ.



Hidden organ pipes behind screen

**A few attending members**



**Bill Griffin**



**Wayne & Alice Finger and Warren Officer**



**Jack Hostetler, Norman Baer and John Martin**



**Bill Edgerton**

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