



HEART OF AMERICA

CHAPTER 36 NEWSLETTER

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WATCH AND CLOCK COLLECTORS

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Holiday Dinner Meeting December 13



TIME FOR FELLOWSHIP — NEW CONSTITUTION — BYLAWS

All Chapter 36 members are invited to a festive Pot Luck Holiday Dinner at our regular meeting place and time, on Sunday, December 13.

Come to the Lenexa Community Center, 13420 Oak, Lenexa, Kansas at 1:00 pm, and plan to eat at 1:15 or soon after.

Everyone is asked to bring one entrée dish and one side dish. The chapter will provide table service, drinks and coffee, dinner rolls and butter.

Savor the rich and unexpected variety of culinary delights from our chapter's kitchens!

Before attending the meeting, please review the Executive Committee's proposal for our chapter's constitution and bylaws, the full text of which is included on pages 3 to 6 of this Newsletter. Hopefully, chapter consideration and action may be accomplished with expedition and in the spirit of the occasion.

The annual holiday dinner provides an excellent opportunity for renewal of friendships with members, spouses, and friends we may not have seen for some time.

All will be welcome, but if possible, please notify secretary Firth (913-648-3711) in advance of the number planning to attend, so that we may set up the correct number of chairs and tables.

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2010 Chapter Meetings:

February 14
 April 11
 June 13
 August 8
 October 10
 December 12

NAWCC Chapter 36 — October 11, 2009 Minutes

President **Wayne Andrews** opened the business session at 2:00 pm with greetings to all present, congratulations on an active mart, and thanks for today's refreshments. **Mr. Peter Jury**, visiting as a guest of **Sham Agayev**, was introduced and welcomed.

Before ratification of the August Minutes, secretary **Harry Firth** reported on several matters relating to overall chapter membership. As a result of chapter action in August, conferring complimentary membership upon the remaining members of the now disbanded Chapter 51, our chapter has now grown to a total of 123 members in good standing. In addition the August chapter meeting directed the secretary to include the presidents of adjacent chapters. Consequently, the Newsletter mailing list has now grown to 136, and update information for the 2009-10 membership roster was printed in the October Newsletter. New name badges for all members have also been created. Following motion by the secretary and second by **Larry Boucher** the August minutes were unanimously adopted.

Upon motion and second by **Darrell Carr** and **Florent Wagner**, the following report by treasurer **Gayla Morford** was unanimously accepted.

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Heart of America Chapter 36 Account No. 110412748

Last balance reported 8/9/09		\$6,083.04
Deposit (from Chapter 51)	\$4,000.00	
Income from Chapter 36	\$109.00	
Transfer to Regional Acct	\$4,000.00	
Interest earned	\$5.74	
Balance as of current bank statement		\$6,197.78

Chapter 36 River Cities Regional Account No. 8216909997

Last balance reported 8/9/09		\$13,988.21
Deposit	\$4,000.00	
Checks/debits	\$0.00	
Interest earned	\$9.50	
Balance as of current bank statement		\$17,997.71

President **Andrews** reported that he and **Harold Engelhaupt** had investigated the possibility of an autumn picnic meeting at the Deanna Rose Farmstead, and had decided it would be better to wait until next spring.

NATIONAL LEADERS

Hugh Overton
 NAWCC Star Fellow

William Ougan
 NAWCC Fellow
 Research Committee

Ruth Herrmann
 NAWCC Fellow

Wayne Herrmann
 NAWCC Fellow

Jerry Thornsberry
 NAWCC Fellow

Reporting on progress toward an updated **Constitution and Bylaws**, **Florent Wagner** and **Harry Firth** presented the following action timeline: a) adoption of proposed text by the executive committee in early November; b) publication of the full proposal in the November / December Newsletter; and c) presentation for action by the membership at the December 13 chapter meeting. **Mr. Wagner** also reported that the executive committee hopes to complete work on our NAWCC Chapter IRS Group Exemption application in early December.

Reporting on plans for a March, 2010 River Cities Regional, chairman **Don Allen** discussed serious delays and other obstacles encountered in his attempts on behalf of our chapter. As of our meeting date neither the exhibit hall nor the host hotel had been secured under contract.

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The time required for effective promotion of a chapter regional to assure good attendance has by now been seriously compromised by these delays, such as publication in the NAWCC Mart magazine, personal representation at neighboring chapter regionals, and production of our own promotional regional newsletter. Therefore, chairman Allen recommended postponing a River Cities Regional until after the 2011 National Convention in Kansas City.

Upon motion by **Larry Boucher** and **Harry Firth** and amendment by **Darrell Carr** and **Bill Maune**, the membership expressed gratitude to Don Allen and all his colleagues for their good efforts on behalf the chapter, and agreed not to host a regional in 2010. However, **beginning in 2012, and annually thereafter, Chapter 36 is determined to host regionals in Kansas City.**

THE PROGRAM

Greg Arey introduced speaker **Sham Agayev** master watchmaker and department chief for the three Tivol stores in Kansas City.

Sham is a US citizen who did not speak English when first he arrived in this country, but after a few months at Don Bosco and the Metro College on Minnesota Avenue in Kansas City, KS, he rapidly gained proficiency.

He began working at Tivol in 1993, was certified AWI master watchmaker in 1996, and soon became head watchmaker at Tivol, specializing in complicated movements and the manufacture of parts when necessary. Daily routine goals for Sham and his associates include promptly providing repair estimates and project completion within 5 weeks if at all possible.

During the program, Sham discussed answers and solutions to many concerns and questions from the membership, including discernment of values (merits) of timepieces in various conditions and ages, the favorable comparison of excellent American watches with those from Europe, recognition of quality of porcelain dials, some truly works of art, etc.

Sham and his highly accredited associates perform 60% of Rolex and most LeCoultre repairs in-house. Average output is 1.5 watches per day with a very low incidence of troublesome items returning for additional attention.



Sham Agayev presented the October program

SHOW AND TELL

Ednabelle Menditto presented a lovely Welch Patti clock from her collection.

Bill Maune displayed an unfinished wooden case (perhaps a salesman's sample?) for an Ansonia Queen Elizabeth model clock.

Edward Reupke demonstrated an unusual Seth Thomas movement marked 86C, with double spring wind and, instead of typical hour and minute hands, a rotating dial.

Bob Hill announced that \$35 had been donated to the chapter from the 50/50 Pot, thanks to **Steve Stoecker**.

The next chapter meeting will be a Holiday carry in dinner, at 1 pm on Sunday, December 13.

Respectfully submitted,
Harry Firth, Secretary

**Please come and help us adopt our
new constitution and bylaws
at the
December 13 chapter meeting!**

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**PLEASE STUDY THE
PROPOSED NEW CONSTITUTION
AND BYLAWS
FOR CHAPTER 36
ON PAGES 3-6**

THANKS!

KANSAS CITY WATCH CLUB

You're apt to run into fellow chapter 36 members at the KC Watch club.

Forthcoming Tuesdays are December 1, January 5 and February 2 at Paul and Jack's Tavern, 1808 Clay, North KC. Come at 5:30 and stay for supper if you have time.

From Highway 9 (Burlington) turn east 2 short blocks on Armour to Clay, then 1/2 block south.

Chapter 36 Membership Application

Please complete this form with a \$10.00 check made payable to NAWCC Chapter 36 and mail to: Gayla Morford, 31010 South Little Road, Garden City, MO 64747. Or better yet, come to the next meeting and join in person.

Name _____ Date submitted _____ NAWCC # _____
Street Address _____ City/State/Zip _____
Phone _____ Email address _____

Annual dues cover the term from April through March of the coming year, payable on or before the day of the April meeting. If dues remain unpaid after the August meeting the member shall become automatically suspended. A member may be reinstated by paying the current year's dues.