

HEART OF AMERICA

CHAPTER 36 NEWSLETTER

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WATCH AND CLOCK COLLECTORS

State of Kansas non profit corporation # 4315222

APRIL, 2010



CLOCK RESTORATION CONTEST JUDGING AND AWARDS SUNDAY, APRIL 11

All members and guests are invited to the Chapter 36 meeting. Refreshments, mart and meeting begin at 1 pm, on Sunday, April 11.

Come to the Lenexa Community Center, 13420 Oak, Lenexa, Kansas. Please bring clocks and other horological items for the mart, as well as interesting items for Show and Tell.

RATIFICATION OF AMENDMENT NEEDED FOR CHAPTER CONSTITUTION

The Internal Revenue Service requires the following specific language in the non-profit provision of our newly adopted constitution. Please review the proposed change, which will be presented for ratification at the April 11th meeting.

ARTICLE 3: NON-PROFIT

The Chapter shall be a non-profit organization.

a) The Chapter is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

b) No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, trustees, officers or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose

clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

c) Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.



FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD PRIZES TO BE AWARDED IN RESTORATION CONTEST

This year's restoration contest winners will take home cash prizes in addition to free dues paid for next year's chapter membership. First class receives \$50, second class \$30, and third class \$20!

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NAWCC Fellow

NAWCC Chapter 36 — February 14, 2010 Minutes

President Wayne Andrews called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM, welcoming new members **Mona Allen** and **Neta McBride**. President Andrews also welcomed and introduced NAWCC Convention Committee Chairman **Jim Coulson** and NAWCC Board Member Renee **Coulson**.

Upon motion and second by **Don Allen** and **Dick Stofer**, Minutes of the December, 2009 meeting were accepted as printed in the Newsletter.

Upon and second by **Florent Wagner** and **Don Allen**, Treasurer **Gayla Morford's** report was unanimously approved and filed for audit.

TREASURER'S REPORT FEBRUARY 14, 2010

Federal E.I.N. 481043493 — Kansas Not for Profit No. 4315222

Heart of America Chapter 36 Account No. 110412748

Last balance reported 12/13/2009		\$6,215.34
Deposits	\$ 0.00	
Checks / debits	\$61.60	
Interest earned	\$1.41	
Balance as of 12/31/2009		\$6,155.15
Balance as of 1/01/2009		\$4,771.69
	GAIN	\$1,383.46

Chapter 36 River Cities Regional Account No. 8216909997

Last balance reported 12/13/2009		\$18,010.17
Deposit	\$0.00	
Checks/debits	\$0.00	
Interest earned	\$4.12	
Balance as of 12/31/2009		\$18,014.29
Balance as of 1/01/2009		\$ 9,510.03
	GAIN	\$ 8,504.26

(\$4,000 from Chapter 51, \$3,500 from regional)

President Andrews brought up Chapter 36's approval of the new Constitution and By-Laws to mention the **change of accounting year** for the Chapter to a **calendar year, January 1 through December 31**. After some discussion about a special dues for April to December, 2010, motion and second by **Gayla Morford** and **Larry Boucher** continued the dues at \$10.00. Further discussion centered on election of officers for 2010. Upon motion and second by **Jerry Thornsberry** and **Bill Dugan**, officers elected in April, 2010 will serve until December 31, 2011, and elections thereafter will take place in December for two-year terms as specified in the By-Laws.

President Andrews appointed **Jerry Thornsberry Chairman of the Nominating Committee**. Jerry reminded members that the By-Laws stipulate two nominees for each officer position, and asked members to cooperate when asked to participate.

Steve Stoeker was appointed **Chairman of an Audit Committee** as required by the By-Laws to audit Chapter treasury funds after a new Treasurer is installed.

Chapters filing for **501, c, 3 status** through the National Association have been asked to help toward the cost of the filing fee. After discussion, upon motion and second by **Florent Wagner** and **Dick Stofer**, \$100 was approved for this purpose. President Andrews brought up the **NAWCC Annual Appeal**. Upon motion and second by **Jim Kuhn** and **Bill Dugan**, the chapter unanimously voted to send **\$1,000** for the appeal.

In an update on the **2011 NAWCC Annual Convention**, **Bill Dugan** reported things are progressing well and that a contract has been signed with the **Overland Park Convention Center** as the location of the event.

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Highlights of the February Chapter Meeting



Despite ice and snow outside, Heart of America chapter members enjoyed the fellowship of learning and sharing.



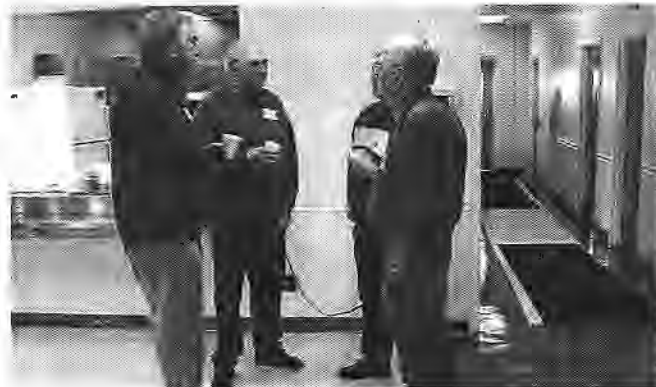
President Wayne Andrews welcomes new members and guests



Convention Committee chairman Jim Coulson and his wife Board Member Renee Coulson brought greetings from National



Joe Loar presented a most interesting program on Briggs Rotary clocks, illustrating his points with examples from his extensive collection



Refreshments and good fellowship naturally abounded.

A visit to the Maurice L. Jones Clock Collection at the Spencer Museum of Art, Kansas University

Reported by Harry Firth

Thanks to the initiative of Florent Wagner, on February 18, four members of Heart of America Chapter 36 were allowed a special opportunity to examine the collection of clocks which Dr. Maurice L. Jones gave to the Spencer Museum of Art in Lawrence almost sixty years ago, in 1952.

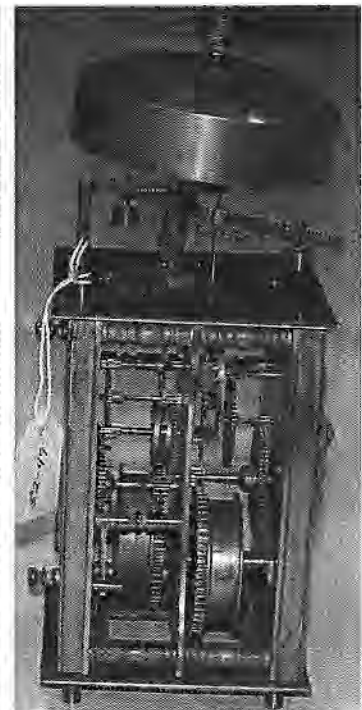
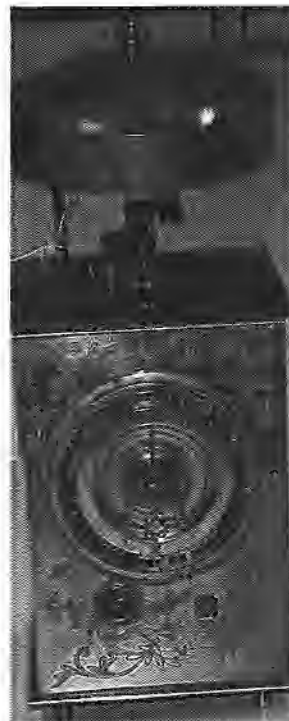
Susan Earle, Curator of American and European Art and her curatorial intern Chassica Kirchhoff welcomed Bill Dugan, Jerry Thornsberry, Florent Wagner and Harry Firth to an informal showing of items from the collection, which has remained in the archives but has never been displayed in the museum.



Curator Susan Earle introduces three examples to Florent Wagner ...



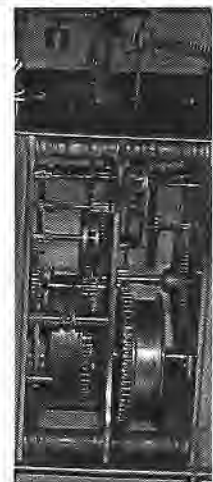
... including an early post clock and a 17th century German table clock

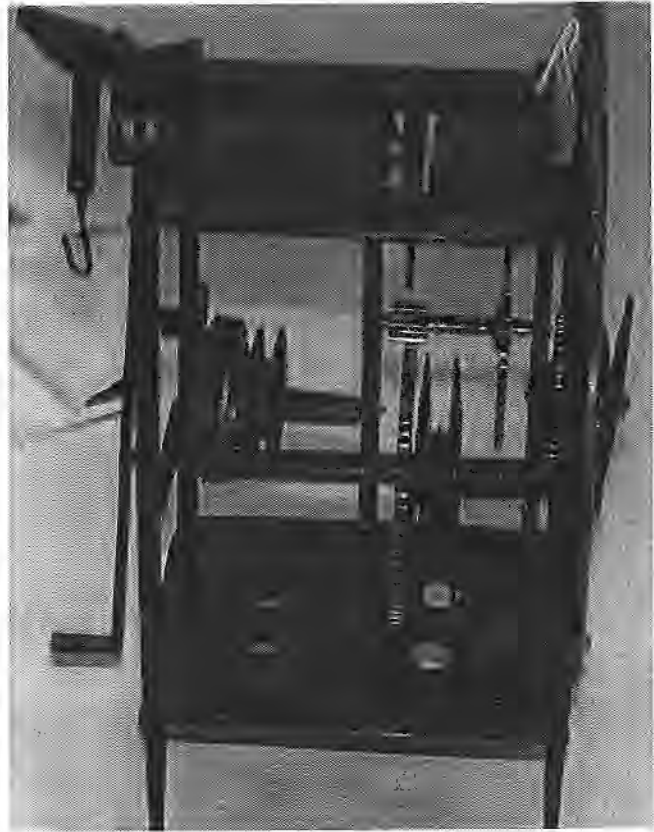


Here are three views of an ancient Japanese foliot regulated clock.

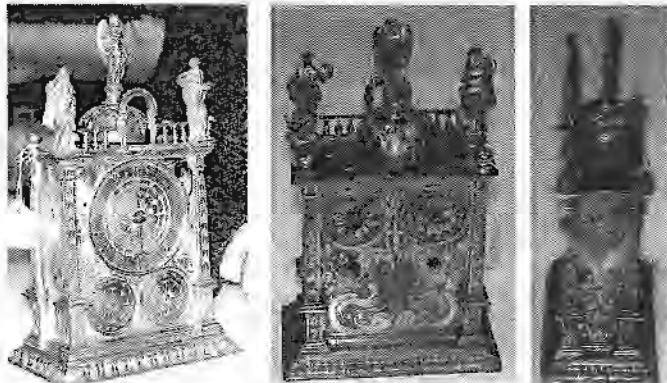
Note that the hour markers around the dial are moveable, to adjust for the Japanese concept of timekeeping in which the hours of day and night were experienced as longer or shorter according to the season.

Photos on the right reveal the verge and foliot escapement components of the clock.





Curatorial intern Chassica Kirchhoff displays an early weight-driven, one-handed alarm clock which would probably be a good timekeeper, once the ropes, weights, pendulum, and bell were replaced!

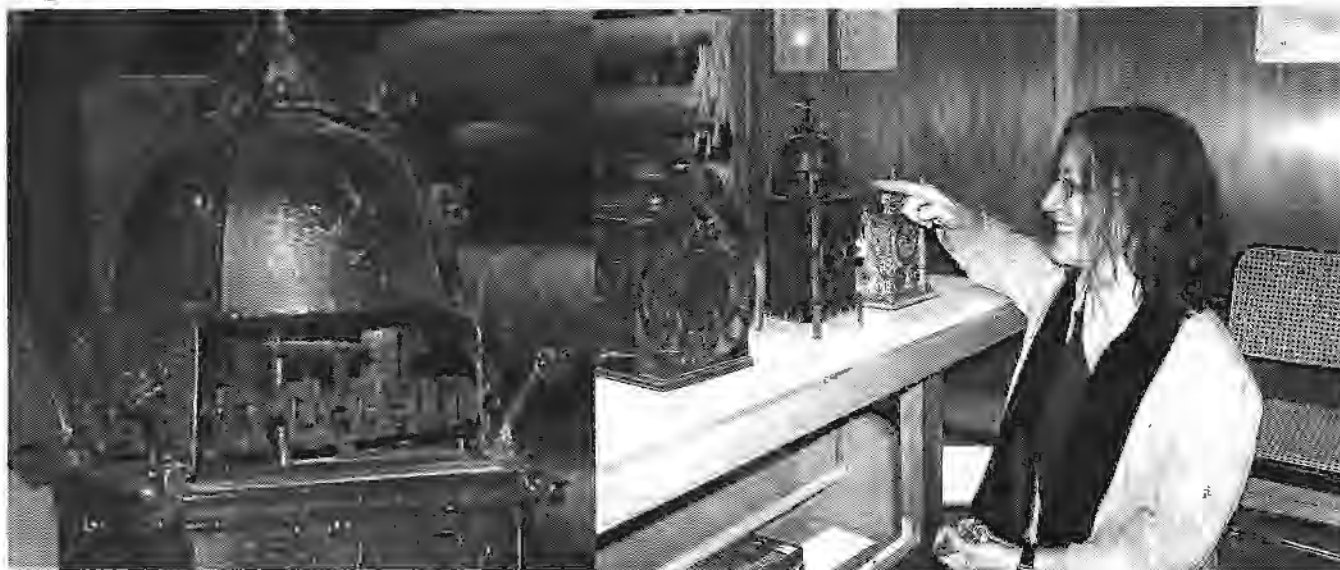


At right Florent Wagner examines a particularly impressive table clock, with detailed views of the front, back, and side directly above.

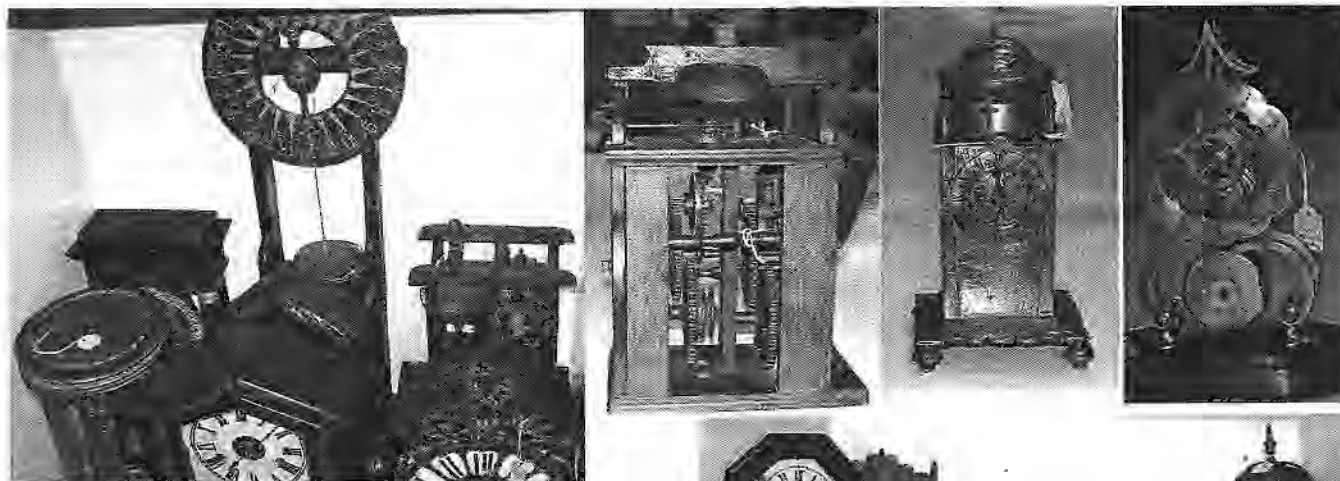
Dials are provided on the back of the clock for regulation and to indicate the progress of the striking mechanism.

Such a valuable timepiece could have been found only in the home of a very wealthy person!





Curator Earle points out the unusual circular regulator wheel atop this exceptional lantern clock, which represents an early adaptation of the more typical foliot arms.



Also shown above and right are some of the many other clocks which we did not have time to examine.

We discussed the possibility of our chapter's cooperation with the Spencer Museum, possibly assisting with accurate historical information and advice as to maintenance, restoration where appropriate, and eventual readiness for display in the museum.

In light of the 2011 National Convention of the NAWCC at the Overland Park Convention Center, we also began dreaming of a possible opportunity for interested convention delegates to participate in a special exhibition of the collection to be hosted at the Spencer Museum in Lawrence.



Jim Coulson pointed out that a national convention is similar to a regional, only larger. Chapter 36 members are asked to step up to help on committees. **Jerry Thornsberry** suggested that Chapter 36 take at least one table at the 2011 Convention to advertise our **2012 River Cities Regional** and start selling tables for the Regional.

The Program

Program Chairman **Greg Arey** introduced member **Joe Loar**, whose topic was **Briggs Rotary Clocks**, illustrated with examples from his collection, including a No. 1 style, several No. 2 styles, one very rare nickel plated and a couple of Horolivar repros sold in the 1970's. A Mr. Chandler and John Briggs, of Concorde, NH, worked on such a clock and received a patent in 1858, possibly making some Style No. 1s, then Welch come out with Style No. 2 in the 1870's.

Education Chairman Darrell Carr suggested we consider a special **workshop on "faux painting."** If members are interested in this workshop, please call Darrell. He also described good results in filling bezel holes with J B Weld and bronze powder.

President Andrews announced that a **Chapter 36 website** is now operational, and is available as a chat room, items to sell or buy, but we need someone to help on the website.

In Bill Maune's absence, **Wayne Herrmann** requested more **restoration contest** entries (would like at least four or five more) and suggested the Chapter give a one year membership to each member submitting a restored clock, and consider awarding monetary prizes to the first, second and third winners. Upon motion and second by **Florent Wagner** and **Bill Dugan**, the chapter voted **one year membership** to each submitting member, and that the Executive Committee decide how to allocate **prize money of up to \$100.00** among the top three prize winning entries.

Don Allen advised members of three **upcoming clock auctions** during March and April in the Sedalia, MO area.

President Andrews advised members of the **Ozark Chapter's invitation to the First Annual Tailgate Mart & Barbecue**, 9 AM Sunday, June 6, 2010, in Duquesne, MO (near Joplin).

Jerry Van Lanker showed a very nice **Slitze's Brewery Clock**, made for the Kansas City Brewery in 1960. Meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM.

The next chapter meeting is scheduled for 1 pm on Sunday, April 11 at the Lenexa Community Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Florent Wagner, *Acting Secretary*



DIRECTORY CHANGES

New Members

We welcome the following new members into Heart of America Chapter 36 of the NAWCC!

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Neta McBride [NAWCC 171101] see below

Chris Miller [NAWCC 19833] 16 S. Jefferson Road, Mexico, MO 65265

Changes of Address, etc.

Please note the following additional changes in your Chapter 36 Roster

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Craig Fritsche — 913/491-0001 ck@kc.rr.com

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Spring Chapter Meeting April 11, 2010

KANSAS CITY WATCH CLUB

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

Forthcoming Tuesdays are April 6, May 4, and June 1 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.

TAILGATE MART & BARBECUE LUNCH

Heart of America chapter members are invited to the Ozark chapter's "first" annual Tailgate Mart and Barbeque Lunch at Southwest Missouri Community Center in Duquesne, MO (Joplin) on Sunday, June 6, 2010. Mart begins at 9 am, followed by "free" barbeque lunch at noon. In case of rain, mart will be held inside the center.

Contact Ruth at rwoverton@att.net or phone 417/358-5861 for more information.

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.

Date submitted _____

Name _____ NAWCC # _____

Street Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email address _____

Membership dues cover the fiscal year, January 1 through December 31.