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LISA SHOCKLEY TO PRESENT PROGRAM ON O. W. DREYER AT AUGUST CHAPTER MEETING

All members and guests are invited to the Sunday, August 12 Chapter meeting at the Lenexa Senior Center, 13425 Walnut, Lenexa, Kansas. Refreshments and Mart begin at 1:30 and Business/Program session at 2 pm.



Speaker Lisa Shockley

Our speaker will be Lisa Shockley, representing the Kansas City Museum, and describing the achievements of O. W. Dreyer, an influential Kansas City horologist in the early 20th century.

Born in 1881, Dreyer began his career as a watchmaker in 1901 and ran the KC Watchmaking and Engraving School from 1910 until 1914. In his youth Dreyer became expert in Victorian fretwork, an increasingly popular craft in the aftermath of the Civil War. With government encouragement many amputees developed skills in the delicate craft, and patterns were published in magazines. Several of Dreyer's clocks will be presented in this program.

An Ohio native, our speaker obtained her credentials in theatre and mass media at College of the Ozarks and her master's in history at the UMKC. Her KC Museum position since 1993 keeps her busy preparing exhibits at Corinthian Hall as well as at the Union Station.

Please bring items you wish to offer for sale at the Mart. And remember to bring interesting horological items for show and tell — perhaps items related to the program?

Sympathy for Chapter members

Chapter 36 members were saddened along with Judge Robert Serra, whose wife Kathleen Teresa Serra passed away on May 27 in Kansas City, KS. Our sympathy is with Robert and other family members.

On June 2 Samuel J. Kutner passed away at the age of 96. He was an avid clock collector and restorer, a lifelong NAWCC member and a former president of the New York chapter. We offer our sympathy to Ethel, their children and grandchildren.

DON'T MISS KC EPISODE OF "LOST TREASURES" SERIES

The National Geographic channel's show featuring Kansas City is expected to broadcast at 9:00 pm on Wednesday, August 15. One of 33 people chosen to show a historical treasure, Greg Arey discusses his Howard No. 89 wall clock that hung in the KC Union Station from approximately 1902 through 1923.

LOOKING AHEAD — 2013 RIVER CITIES REGIONAL

Plans are moving ahead briskly for our 2013 River Cities Regional, which will be located at the Lenexa Community Center, Lenexa, KS next April. "In addition to our regular features, we will include a BBQ Banquet on Friday evening, and a 'Public Day' on Saturday," announced Regional Chairman Harold Engelhaupt.

For further information please contact Harold at (913) 491-1216 or ftclaghorn@aol.com

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**Heart of America Chapter 36
Minutes of the June 10, 2012 Meeting**

President Wayne Andrews called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM.

No guests were present at this meeting.

Minutes of the April 1, 2012 Meeting as published in the June Newsletter were unanimously approved as written.

Treasurer, Ruth Herrmann, reported that the Chapter April balance of \$5,111.15 had grown a few dollars by dues and 50/50 drawing, less postage, Kansas registration and office supplies expenses, leaving a present balance at this June 10th meeting of \$5,138.15. The Regional Account in April had a balance of \$21,103.42 with regional registrations, plus more received at Regional, less regional expenses of \$5,515.20 bringing the Regional Account balance to \$19,138.02. The Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.

Allen Ray, Vice President of Programs, introduced our member, Greg Arey. Greg presented the program on "Finding Lost Treasures." He discussed Kansas City's Union Station history and displayed and talked about a Howard No. 1, Jewelers Regulator, dead beat escapement, 15 pound weight hidden in panel behind the pendulum, and many time inspector certificates posted inside the case. It was also mentioned that Greg Arey was taped for the National Geographic Program on finding American Treasures about this clock.

Don Allen presented Certificates of Appreciation from NAWCC to members for their Regional efforts at the successful Three Rivers Regional, April 20-21, 2012: Roberta Reupke-Hospitality; Wayne Andrews-Host Chapter President and Security; Jerry Thornsberry-programs; Ruth Herrmann-Registration; Romona Allen-Hospitality; Al Scott-Silent Auction; Harry Firth-Photographer; Wayne Herrmann-Mart and Door prizes; Don Allen-Regional Chairman and Banquet; Bill Maune-Exhibits; Larry Boucher-Workshops; Mark Carr-Program Presenter; Linda Andrews-Banquet.

Darrell Carr reported on an educational program to be presented in the near future on repairing movements with ball-bearing bushings, to be presented by a Mr. Buttersworth of Des Moines. Bill Dugan is trying to get a Suitcase Workshop on anchor escapements, and gold leafing. Bob Chester is working on a program also but was not at this meeting.

Several members shared wonderful remembrances of Sam Kutner, our member who had recently passed on.

A motion was made to donate \$200 to Harvesters in memory of Sam Kutner as suggested by the family in the obituary, and \$200 to National in memory of Tom Foster. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

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The Information Empo-



Have something to *sell*? Looking to *buy* something?

Seeking *information*? Got a *hot tip* to share?

Contact *Bill Maune* clockman.bill@gmail.com

or *Harry Firth* hwfirth@gmail.com



Will you help? — Since this feature of our newsletter is in its infancy, we sincerely desire to make it more effective, interesting, and useful. As a chapter member you are probably the most important key to success, since information gathering is vital. It could be as simple as phoning or emailing either of us, any time, and we'll do the rest for you. And thanks. — *Bill and Harry*

Clocks from Schroeder estate — Roger and Barbara Schroeder, former chapter members, have both passed away and their family wishes to sell several of their fine clocks. If possible they would like the clocks to go to chapter members instead of being sold in an estate sale. Wayne Herrmann will have photos of the clocks at the August meeting for those who might be interested.

Upcoming Field Suitcase Workshops

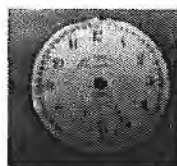
Bill Dugan announced the following learning opportunities:

FSW 501 class on Strip Anchor Escapements is scheduled for the week of November 12. This is a two-day class with normally a \$200 cost, but for Chapter 36 members the cost will be \$100. There is no prerequisite requirement. At present it looks as though there will be a sufficient enrollment for two back-to-back classes.

FSW 502 class on chime clocks and movements with spring barrels (see MART for more information about 502) is under consideration for the next offering, at the same cost, depending on sufficient registrations.

Please contact Bill at 913-782-1057.

Quest for missing components — Perhaps someone in our chapter can help with this request.



A friend of one of our chapter members has a Waltham Santa Fe Railway System dial (see photos), which he would like to integrate



with an appropriate 16 size Waltham movement in an open-face, lever set, top wind gold or silver case.

If anyone can help locate the necessary materials, please contact Harry Firth (913-648-3711).



Just for fun and for comparison, here are photos of a treasured 18 size Waltham



"Santa Fe Route" watch in Harry's collection.

Miniature ball bearing class — is still in our network of education courses to do this fall, the exact date yet to be finalized. It will be on a Saturday sometime in September, October or November. If you have questions, please contact Darrell Carr 913-888-7589 or Bill Dugan 913-782-1057.

The **Brass Armadillo** in Grain Valley, MO is seeking a Watch person to join their dealers.

Locking Glass Cases are available. Many people come in asking for collectable watches, parts and pieces and repair work. Bruce the General Manager is great to work with. **816-874-5260 The Mall is open 364 days a year, 9 AM to 9 PM.**

More Timely Stuff

about, and of interest to,
members of Heart of America Chapter 36

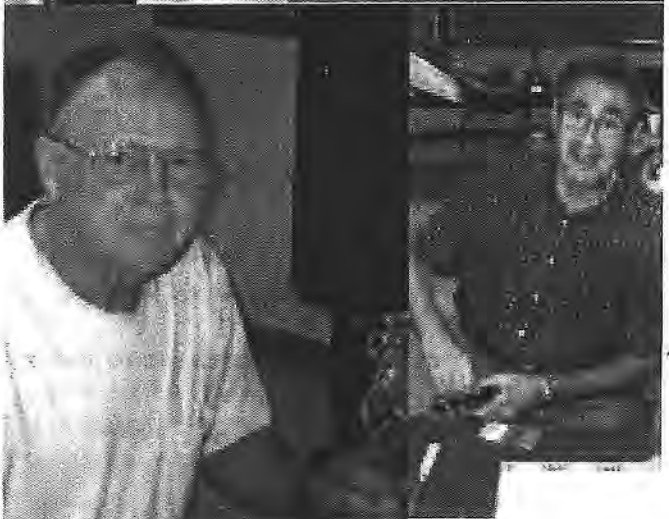


A REPORT ON CHAPTER 36 FIELD SUITCASE WORKSHOPS SO FAR IN 2012

The first FSW 101 was held April 16-19 at All Saints Episcopal Church in Kansas City, MO, and attended by the following: Bob Chester, Joe Loar, Gary Wages, Dan Haines, and Bill Dugan.

The second FSW 101 took place July 18-21, also at All Saints. Students this time included Wayne Andrews, Jerry Thornsberry, Gene Grimes, Jerry Van Lanker, Eric Duderstadt, Justin Overton and Dr. Levine from Oklahoma City.

Some photos of happy participants in the July class, taken by Wayne Andrews, are included for your enjoyment. A third FSW class, No. 501 on strip anchor escapements, is planned for November.



June Minutes, continued

Members were advised that Harold Engelhaupt had agreed to be Chairman of a 2013 Three Rivers Regional next year at this same location, with some new policies allowed by the NAWCC.

Dayton Koch won the \$20.00 50/50 Pot.

Show and Tell — Al Scott showed a clock with a new, aged-looking face made by reducing a larger face, that was exactly what was on the clock, to the correct size.

Darrell Carr displayed a newer grandfather movement that had been restored with roller-bearings.

Larry Boucher presented a Mickey Mouse wristwatch with complete instructions in many languages.

Bob Hensley had a Watch record for a watch and scrapbooks of watch and clock postcards and catalogue and information for buying watches.

Allen Ray demonstrated stereopticon views of Kansas City Union Station and two different, very early stereo viewers.

This meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Florent Wagner, Secretary

An Online Auction of Horological Repair Equipment

The recent closure of the Horology Technology program at St. Paul College in Minnesota has resulted in a unique opportunity for NAWCC members to acquire professional quality repair materials at a reasonable price through a special online sale.

The 800 lots to be auctioned include jewelers lathes, benches, cleaning equipment, microscopes, inspection tools, cabinets and thousands of new and used watch parts. Bidding has begun, and will continue until August 7, 2012.



If you want to access the auction website, call (612) 701-9246, Greg Christian CAI Auction Masters and Appraisals.

The Beginning of the Wristwatch 1900-1920

We hope this newsletter will arrive in time for our members to take advantage of a webinar offered by the NAWCC museum's guest curator of wristwatches, Adam Harris, scheduled for August 1, 2012.

The change seemed much harder than people might have imagined, with watchmakers fighting a losing battle against the public and, strangely, jewelers. Mr. Harris will also discuss the natural progression from the manual wristwatch to the automatic.

This 45 minute webinar will be held on Wednesday, August 1 at 4:00 pm EST.

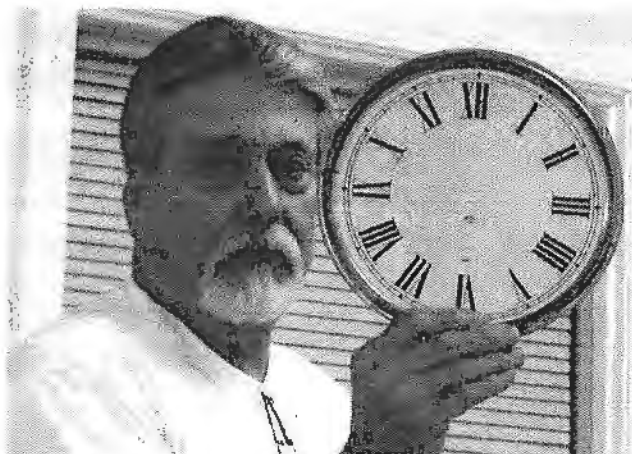
Coordinator for the webinar, which costs \$5.95 for NAWCC members, is Katie Knaub — kknaub@nawcc.org. Access directions will be sent after registration. The audio portion will be available only over the phone through the toll free number given with the access directions.

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Jerry Van Lanker displays a dial he produced.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW !!

Try not to miss any of these opportunities —
(cf. July MART pages 15 and 22 for details.)

October 7 — Ozark Chapter 57 Tailgate Mart and Lunch, Duquesne, Missouri

October 19-20 — MKOA Regional, Tulsa, Oklahoma

November 1-3 — Razorback Regional, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

KANSAS CITY WATCH CLUB

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

Forthcoming meetings are Tuesdays August 7, September 4 and October 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 return this form with your \$10.00 check made payable to NAWCC Chapter 36 to Ruth Herrmann, 5839 Perry Lane, Merriam, KS 66203. Or better yet, come to the next meeting and join in person.

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

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