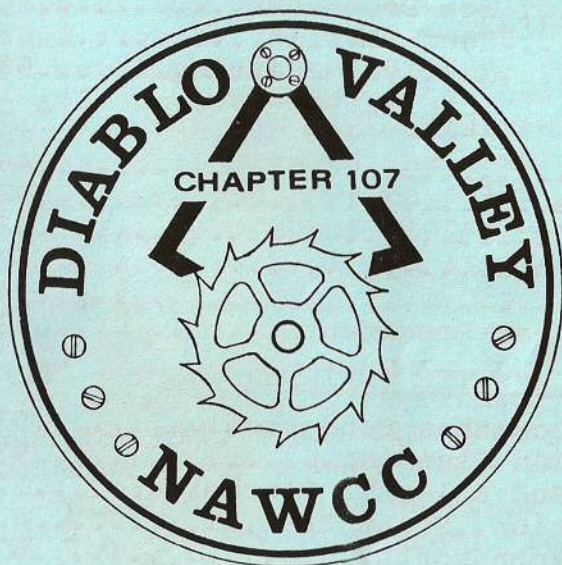

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CHAPTER MOTTO: Accent on Education

Statements of opinion or fact made by authors of articles appearing in the Chapter publications are to be accepted as the author's own; the Chapter assumes no responsibility for the accuracy or correctness of any statements of its contributors.

***** PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *****

The past year as President has certainly been a fun year. I want to thank the Executive Committee, the different Chairpersons and the members of the Chapter for being so very helpful and supportive to me. The last candlelight Board meeting during the heavy rain was the best. With all the great help, the new ideas and programs, the Chapter has made excellent progress in being responsive to the Members and getting everyone involved. We have all learned alot in the past year about clocks and Watches.

I would like to see ALL the Members at the December 12th meeting to enjoy the Pot-luck and to meet and welcome the new officers for 1983. We will top off the meeting by having the Watch and Clock auction, a new thing. Bring an item to auction off. This time you get to keep the money-except for a very small Chapter fee.

I want to remind everyone that now is renewal time for CY 1983 dues. You must be a member of the National NAWCC to renew. Dues are used for rent for the meeting room, meeting refreshments, the BULLETIN which we all enjoy, Library books, postage, etc. Each person shares equally from the Chapter's dues.

Think about offering your help to the new President, or how you can help your Chapter next year. The President can always use an extra hand. It only takes about 3 hours every other month. How about it?

Wayne LaRoche will make a good leader for 1983. Lets all pitch in and help him out.

Thanks again for such a good year as your President.

Phil R

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS !!!!!!!



Patty Shadden
Bonnie Daines
Robert Boone

Delighted to have you with us.

Bob Boone has been asked and has graciously consented to run for office for 1983. We really appreciate it Bob.

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Chapter #107 meets on the second Sunday in the months of February, April, June, August, October, and December.

Our next meeting, and the last meeting of the month will be on December 12th. This is our Pot Luck luncheon with all its goodies, and this year...an auction! So bring your Pot Luck dish, a clock to sell, and money to buy!

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* ATTENTION - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The next Executive meeting will be announced by the new president. Since the Constitution calls for a meeting to be held in January by the new Board of Directors, the incoming president will be in touch with the Board to advise when and where.

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- A. List of Committees
There shall be eight standing committees of the Chapter.

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| 1. Editorial Committee | 6.Refreshment Committee |
| 2. Library Committee | 7.Program Committee |
| 3. Mart Committee | 8.Display Committee |
| 4. Membership Committee | |
| 5. Nominating and Election Committee | |
- B. The Committee Chairman, other than the Program Chairman, shall be nominated by the President and approved by the Executive Committee. They shall hold office concurrent with the term of the elected officers. An indefinite number of re-appointments is permissible.
 1. The President of the Chapter shall be an ex-officio member of each committee.

MEETING DATE: DECEMBER 12, 1982

MART SET-UP: 11:30
MART OPENS: 12:00

MEETING BEGINS: 1:00

DISPLAY THEME: NO DISPLAY

PROGRAM: POT LUCK LUNCHEON
AUCTION
MART

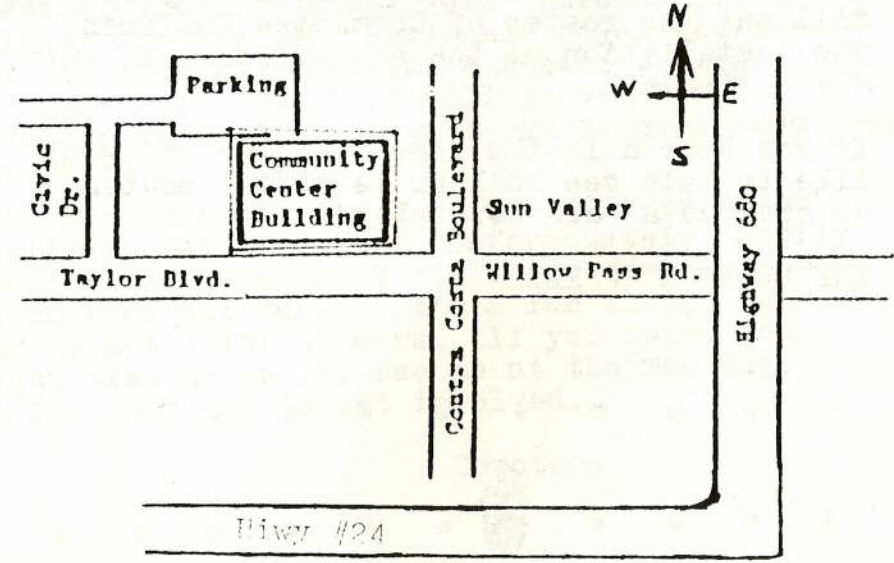
ALSO: Questions and Answers!!!

DUES: Chapter members \$15.00 (includes refreshment donation. (kids free!))

MART: Free! Free! Free!!

AT: Pleasant Hill Recreation Center
Civic Drive
Pleasant Hill, Cal.

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FROM YOUR CHAIRMEN

DISPLAY CHAIRMAN

Due to the fact that we are having an auction this month, we have not planned for a display at this meeting. We feel that room is needed to display the items which will be up for auction so that the members will be able to properly preview the items which will be for sale.

John North

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NOMINATION CHAIRMAN

In the center section of the Bulletin, you will find your "Pull-Out" ballot. If you will be unable to make the December meeting, detach the ballot and mail it to us no later than December 6th.

The new officers will be in need of people to fill out the roster of Committee Chairmen. The installation of the new officers is only the beginning.

If you have a little time to spare and would like to help see Phil or me at the meeting or give us a call beforehand!

THE PHANTOM TURKEY

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FROM YOUR CHAIRMEN

LIBRARY CHAIRMAN

We have some NAWCC Bulletins for sale going back to 1974 for \$1.50 each (negotiable) for anyone who is interested. The proceeds go for more books. If you are interested, see me at the next meeting.

I would also like to know if members are experiencing difficulty in obtaining the repair books. Perhaps we need more copies of the repair books but I would like to know the feeling of those using the library. If you have any comments, see me at the December meeting.

Sandy

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RAFFLE CHAIRMAN

Each of our presidents have left the Chapter with something; I left the Bulletin to the Chapter; John Sanderson left "Horological Trivia" and the 1984 Regional; Royal English left it with the Question & Answer program; we don't know what Phil will leave with us, but John North left us with "Tick Fever" and the raffle!

John was Chairman for 2 years and then found Shelly to take it over. Unfortunately, Shelly couldn't continue so I filled in for the remainder of her term. It's a fun thing, and really not a lot of work. If you think you might like to do it, see me at the meeting. It is a fun way to get involved.

Dorothea

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FROM YOUR CHAIRMEN

REFRESHMENT CHAIRMAN

By now, you all must be aware that the December meeting is our "Pot Luck" blast! Anyone who would like to leave the recipe, see Dorothea She will have a board to put them on...and will print some in the February Bulletin. If we have any artists out there...maybe we can get creative with a cake. Anyone who brings a clock related, decorated cake gets a free raffle ticket!

We have a few people who are bringing some specialties..Royal will be there with his fried chicken..... HOWEVER,

In order to get a variety, we would like:

- A - F Desserts
- G - O Meat based Dishes and Vegetable based Dishes
- P - Z Salads - Green, Jello, Fruit, and Vegetable, and Dips - with chips or crackers

If the category you are in causes real problems for you, do switch over. We do this only to insure a variety.

HERE'S TO THE POT LUCK!!

The Phantom Turkey

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PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE make use of the Suggestion Box. Don't tell your neighbor what you do or do not like....tell it to the Suggestion Box!



FROM YOUR CHAIRMEN

Program Chairman

Due to the auction this month there will be no formal program at the December meeting. We hope to have something special for the February meeting so watch for the February Bulletin.

We have had some fine programs throughout the year and a vote of thanks goes to:

- John Sanderson for his talk on Insurance
- Scott Hampton for his talk on buying clocks-fakes & Marriages
- Don Levison for his talk and his slides on watches
- Dorothy Glenk for her talk and slides on American clocks

We appreciate the time and effort you people put in to your presentations.

The Phantom Turkey

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SILENT AUCTION!!!!

It's still on so don't forget to bring your items for the silent auction.

MART CHAIRMAN

Mart tables are free! Let's make this Mart the best yet. It's Christmas so people will be looking for Christmas gifts, so BRING IT TO THE MART!!!
The Phantom Turkey

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FROM YOUR CHAIRMEN

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

December is here and it is time to remind all of you that it is membership renewal time! Traditionally, we start renewals in October, with reminders in December and in February. NO BILLS ARE SENT OUT! All members will receive the February Bulletin, but only those who have renewed their membership will receive the April Bulletin.

We hope that most of you will come to our Pot Luck Luncheon and renew your membership then, but if you don't, you may send your check to the chapter Box Number and your renewal card should be sent to you within ten days. If you don't receive your membership card within ten days....do let us know. This will also insure your getting your Bulletin.

The dues is still \$15.00 per year with refreshments free at the meeting, Mart free, and advertising in the Bulletin free. We had some fine programs this past year accompanied by some delightful displays. The workshops and demonstrations held throughout the year left us all with something more than we came in with. I'm sure the new Board of Directors will have some good programs for us in 1983!

Happy Holidays and see you in December

THE PHANTON TURKEY

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ANYONE WISHING TO BE PART OF THE 1984 REGIONAL COMMITTEE PLEASE SEE DOROTHEA SANDERSON AT THE NEXT METTING. AT PRESENT THE MEMBERS ARE: DOROTHEA SANDERSON, CHAIRMAN, JOHN SANDERSON, (WE COME IN A PACKAGE) AND DOROTHY GLENK

TIMELY THOUGHTS WE WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU

What use to you are love luck, education, riches, if you begrudge yourself the time to enjoy them at your leisure
Alexander von Gleichen-Russwurm

Time is one's best friend, teaching best of all the wisdom of silence
A. B. Alcott, Table Talk: "Learning"

You may delay, but time will not
Benjamin Franklin, Poor Richard's Almanack

He that has most time has none to lose
Thomas Fuller, Gnomologia

An inch of gold will not buy an inch of time
Doolittle, Chinese Vocabulary

Hope not, await not, firmly grasp the mane of time. What is lacking seek thou not, and delight in what is thine
Johann Kasper Lavater

Irecommend you take care of the minutes; for hours will take care of themselves
Lord Chesterfield, Letters

Time which is the author of all authors
Francis Bacon, Essays: "Of the Advancement of Learning"

Time is Man's Angel
Friedrich Schiller, Wallenstein's Death

Time occasionally helps even the physician
Estonian saying



the Unicorn's friend



Catalogs & Companies; the incomparable Connecticut shelf clock.

Connecticut is where the American clock industry began, but certainly not the only area where it was nurtured. As transportation increased, companies moved to nearby industrial New York, Ohio and into the south where labor was plentiful and cheap.

It was, however, in Connecticut, along the main rivers and streams where water power industry had begun, that the great American clock companies flourished. Their names read to an American clock collector like a list of English royalty: Seth Thomas, C. Jerome, E. Ingraham, Ansonia, Waterbury, New Haven, E. Howard, E. N. Welch, Gilbert, Sessions to name the major concerns. These factories remained the very heart and soul of American inventiveness and industrial craftsmanship and dominated world wide clockmaking for nearly 100 years.

Throughout most of the remainder of the century, Yankee experimentation gave way to the ideas of cheaper cost and utility and the simple spring driven shelf clock and to some degree, the wall clock, 8 day, 30 hour, with or without alarm for the lowest of prices was the stock and trade of these large firms and catalogs assured a wide variety of Victorian styles complimentary to post Civil War styles in furniture.

Americans still felt a kinship to the past neo-classical column and cornice and O G styles and they persisted until well into the 1880's in catalogs, but usually in the smaller and more compact spring driven forms. New styles, however, based on the gothic, Louis XV rococo & renaissance revivals were being produced as early as the 1850 & 60's.

Chauncy Jerome's earliest catalog of 1852 pictured 40 clock designs, including sharp and round gothic, paper mache French rococo styles, cast bronze figural shapes & drop octagon & gallery type wall clocks in rosewood, mahogany and black walnut. Clocks included 30 hour & 8 day movements, striking & time only movements, many with the simpler balance wheel and lever escapement. Many of these clocks reflect styles for the increasing English trade, while styles for the American trade were often named after

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1983

Procedure:

1. Mark this ballot.
2. Remove this entire centerfold from book.
3. Fold, with address on outside, fasten with a staple or tape and drop in mail.
4. All mail ballots must be postmarked prior to December 4.

If you are certain of being at the December meeting:

Bring your ballot to the meeting and deposit in the ballot box PRIOR to the start of the meeting.

Yes No

President:

Wayne DeLaroche

Vice-President:

Tom Mitch

Vice President:

Bob Boone

Director: (Vote for Two)

Bud Ehler

Don Stohrs

Treasurer:

Jane Saville

Secretary:

Marilyn McCartney

famous patriots and personages of international acclaim.

The years after the Civil War saw a particular interest in cast metal clocks in a wide variety of romantic and figurative cases. The Waterbury Clock Co. (1857-1944) evolved from a brass manufactory in the same town in Connecticut & in their catalog of 1867 offer some 40 different metal case variations, including the so-called blinking eye clocks such as Continental, Sambo and Topsey.

Most of the great clock companies grew out of the simple alliances of early clockmaking individuals such as Terry & Andrews, Jeromes and Darrow, Brewster & Ingrahams, Birge & Peck, Jeromes, Gilbert & Grant and others.

E. Ingraham Co. (1857-1967) emerged after numerous alliances with Chauncy & Lawson Ives, Wm. Bartholomew & Elisha Brewster. Ingraham invented the sharp gothic "steeple" clock and numerous variations. Catalogs of the 1870's seemed to stress the more simple and classic designs of shelf and wall clocks with wood cases: Doric, Venetian, Grecian, Ionic & Oriental with simple pitched, rounded or octagon tops, side columns and rosettes, often gilded or the mozaic with inlaid candy or zebra stripes.

Ansonia (1850-1929) grew out of the alliance of Terry & Andrews to later be named Ansonis Brass & Copper Co. after its move to New York. Ansonia not only produced a standard line of wood cased clocks, but later branched out into the making of calendar, novelty and metal cased clocks & statues.

New Haven Clock Co. (1853-1959) grew as a merger with the bankrupt Jerome Mfg. Co. in 1856. With its regular line of shelf clocks, it later produced non-jeweled watches and included in its catalogs numerous imported clocks.

E. N. Welch (1864-1903) began in Forestville, Conn. in a merger with J. C. Brown. In 1864 a joint stock company was formed for the manufacture of various cast and rolled metals and the production of clocks. Its finest models were the famous Patti clocks of 1875 sold under the name of Welch, Spring & Co. & much sought after by collectors. In January of 1903, a year after Welch died, the company was taken over by the principle stockholder and the name changed to The Sessions Co. (1903-68).

The Gilbert Clock Co. (1866-1964) of Winsted, Conn. came about through numerous early century partnerships, including one with Chauncy Jerome. Dedicated to producing a cheap brass clock, it was particularly successful in the last 2 decades of the century.



TICK FEVER...

Henry Ford. The very name conjurs up visions of model Ts and As, the industrialization of America, great wealth, and perhaps the labor wars of the 1930's.

But did you know that Henry cut his technological eye teeth on clocks and watches? He was raised on a Dearborn farm, and by the time he was 13, he was repairing his neighbors' clocks and watches. I recently visited the Henry Ford Museum at Dearborn, and a fine place it is, with clocks, watches, old cars and trains and many steam engines. The most interesting to me though was a section on Henry himself. Displayed are his first clock and watch tools, used when he was a boy. His diary reveals he "ground a roof nail into a watch screwdriver". About a dozen tools are shown there, and the museum informs that many were "hand made by Henry". (But most of you would recognize that all but one or possibly two were definitely not made by Henry.)

Adjacent is the roll top watch bench Henry used as a man, with its lathe and many other tools. The museum says Henry repaired his friends' complicated watches as a favor.

How many times we have heard of the role clocks and watches played in man's technological development. But here it is in person. Not heralded, or perhaps even well understood by the museum curators. It's evident to me that Henry's early exposure to the precision and working of clocks and watches prepared him for developing his first gasoline engine. In fact, that engine uses a pair of brass gears to time the spark which look as if they could have come from a clock!

John North
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The last of the great American companies to be discussed in this issue is the Seth Thomas Clock Company (1853-present) and that is because it is the oldest existing clockmaking firm in America. Seth Thomas was never a clockmaker but began as a casemaker for Eli Terry. He was more than that, however, because, unlike most early American genius inventors, he was instead a good manager and in times of depression held large farm landholdings that kept him in business (a lesson to all of us today). Thomas' manufactories in Plymouth Hollow, Conn. provided constant employment and continuous growth to the townspeople and when he died at age 73, the people renamed the town in his honor, Thomaston and clocks from the Seth Thomas factory were always labeled Thomaston after 1865.

Seth Thomas, like others, included in his catalogs clocks of various shelf varieties. Collecting Tudors, Arch Tops, Chicago, Nashville or Pittsburg has become a fetish of a group of S. T. collectors. He also included calendars, fine wall regulators, street and tower clocks. With Gilbert and others offered small flat, round & octagon topped "cottage" clocks, the predecessor of American alarms.

Seth Thomas became a subsidiary of General Time in 1931 and later included Westclox. It now carries on the Seth Thomas name, though most movements are made overseas.

Clocks of these great manufacturing decades 1860-1900 are often put down by sophisticated collectors as the product cheap and plentiful production. Granted these humble common man's clocks sold for only a few dollars, they are still as sturdy and reliable as ever. And they are indeed, documents of one of the greatest and most significant eras of American or Yankee ingenuity.

Next issue: Calendars and Classics; old styles and new innovations

Dorothy Glenk

The damned Yankee





The time is fast approaching for our First Annual Antique Clock & Watch Auction to be held at our December 12th meeting. Please don't mistake this for another "White Elephant Auction", because it isn't. This Auction gives each of you the opportunity to buy/sell some quality items that your fellow members have brought.

The rules are simple, when you bring your watches/clocks to the meeting, you will be asked to take a minute to fill out a small form giving (1) your name or card number, (2) brief description of item(s) to be sold i.e., type and condition of GRO or not running, etc., (3) minimum bid item(s) to be sold for. The order of Auction will be based on order of item(s) received at the door. I will then start out each item by giving the item number, brief description, and the minimum opening bid. If there is no opening bid, I will ask the seller if he/she would like to lower the minimum bid in order to get some bidding started. The seller may not bid on their own item(s).

Besides being a good opportunity to purchase fine items, it also will be a way the club can generate some money for the treasury. Therefore, a very modest fee will be charged for each item put up for Auction, whether it is sold or not. These fees are \$-0- to \$4.99 (No Charge), \$5.00 to \$99.00 (\$1.00 Charge), \$100.00 and Above (\$2.00 Charge).

In order to have a successful Auction....
WE NEED TO HAVE CLOCKS AND WATCHES TO OFFER!!!!

So please help make this meeting a successful and fun time for all who attend.

"The Auctioneer"



We have had several articles on "Insuring your Collection" and this year, one program. We have talked about insuring your collection under "Contents Coverage" which is generally referred to as Coverage "C" under most policies. This does not include Earthquake unless it has been purchased on the whole dwelling at about \$2.00 per thousand. If you schedule your collection on a Personal Articles Endorsement... Earthquake is included for those items scheduled and the rate for scheduling Fine Arts is considerably lower.

It is my experience that most people and some agents seem to think there is sufficient insurance on their contents already. Histories of past fires indicate that this is frequently not always the case. The best way you can determine if you are adequately insured is by a room to room inventory of your home. Don't forget the things in drawers and closets...the garage and possibly one room of the house is full of expensive repair tools. Kitchens are another place that people have a tendency to overlook. In a fire, pots and pans, flatware, dishes baking goods as well as the kitchen table and chairs would have to be replaced!

Generally....most policies provide contents coverage at 50% of the value on the dwelling.... i.e., if you have \$100,000. on your house, you have \$50,000. on the contents. If you have replacement cost on your contents, the figure raises to \$70,000. on contents. You may not be too bad off if only part of the house went... but in terrible shape if all of it went!

Some of this can be cured with a schedule with the added benefit that it would include earthquake which the standard contents coverage does not include. John & I would be glad to answer any questions...but PLEASE no life, accident, hospital, or health questions!

For those without a copy of the Bylaws.....

Perhaps the new Membership Chairman will arrange to get the Constitution and Bylaws reprinted to distribute to the new members as well as other members who have never received a copy.

E. Standing Committees' Duties:

- The duties as described herein may be augmented at any time by the Executive Committee. All committee members shall submit articles for the bulletin as requested by the President.
1. The Editorial Committee shall superintend and direct the editorial policy and publications as prescribed by the Executive Committee and By-Laws.
 2. The Library Committee shall be responsible for establishing and operating a system for lending material to Chapter membership subject to approval by the Executive Committee. The committee shall announce acquisitions and acknowledge donors in each issue of the Bulletin.
 3. The Mart Committee shall be responsible for directing the operation of all mart functions.
 4. The Membership Committee is charged with the duties prescribed in Article V of the By-laws on the membership. The Membership Committee shall be responsible for collecting refreshment fees, if any, at chapter meetings.
 5. The Nominating and Elections Committee shall be charged with the nominating and supervising the election of officers and directors as prescribed in Article II of the By-laws.
 6. The Refreshment Committee shall be responsible for obtaining and serving food and beverages at Chapter functions. These duties shall include arrangements for clean up.
 7. The Program Committee shall be responsible for developing and securing programs for Chapter functions. Program topics for the April through February Chapter functions shall be submitted to the Executive Committee Meeting for approval at the second Executive Committee Meeting of the calendar year. The committee shall prepare a program announcement, including program description and information on the speaker for each Bulletin.
 8. The Display Committee shall select a display theme for each meeting and submit said themes to the second Executive Committee meeting of the year for approval for the April to February Chapter Functions. The Committee shall provide security for display items. The Committee shall prepare a display announcement for each Bulletin.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Executive Board met at the home of Phil Russell on October 25, 1982.

OLD BUSINESS

- (1) Confirmed the 1983 slate of officers except John Sanderson withdrew as V.P. for clocks.
- (2) Bulletin Editor, Dorothea Sanderson, urged more articles be written by members. Articles should be typed and ready to print.
- (3) December meeting was discussed. Will eat first. Fee schedule established for clocks to be auctioned; its tax deductible. Guest can't bid unless a NAWCC member. Will have no silent auction or display. Will have drawing & MART.
- (4) Certificates of Appreciation: J. Sanderson gave a cost estimate of \$75 per 200 copies. Jay Hinkle will check into another source.
- (5) Chapter incorporation: local attorneys too costly. Checking further with National and other local attorneys.

NEW BUSINESS

- (1) Don Giannini asked to be replaced as Membership Chairman. Sandy Cuthill will replace him.
- (2) Suggested that committee chairmen talk with their successors about responsibilities.
- (3) 1984 Regional: Dr. Stephens Chapter estimates their cost as \$7000. Estimate for our chapter is \$2000. Discussion as to how to raise the money.
- (4) Suspended audit of Treasurer's books for one year due to recent completion of audit.
- (5) By-Laws discussed as they relate to officers. John Sanderson & Bob Prochnow will review and recommend possible changes at next Executive Board Meeting.
- (6) It was suggested that one or two Executive Board Meetings be held following the regular bimonthly meetings during 1983.

The next Executive Board Meeting will be held at the home of the new president.

Marilyn McCartney, Secretary

19th Century Horological Trivia

The Contess Castiglione was a mistress of Napoleon III and quite a lady. She knew and freely told people she was "God's most exquisite creation". Here is a short quotation from her biography:

"Soon after the Countess' return to Paris, she was steeped in intrigue and sin. According to a story told by Princess Mathilde, an English millionaire, Lord Hertford, gave her a million francs (more than \$250,000 dollars) to spend one night with him. The Englishman was eccentric enough for he owned 250 clocks and drove himself wild trying to make them keep time together. But in his transaction with the Countess Castiglione he kept a level enough head, for he exacted such good value for his money that she had to remain in bed for several days".

Eccentric??

John Sanderson
John Sanderson



THE PHANTOM TURKEY

WANTS AND FOR SALE

We have a lot of members who have shops. During the Christmas season patronize them where you can!

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Depthing tool for sale \$200. This makes a nice gift for the repairman!

John Sanderson 937-6272

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5 Large German Box Clocks with bevelled glass \$500. 1 two weight Vienna Regulator without top \$550. Photo's available on request. I also have some 1-2-and 3 wt Vienna Regulator Movements for sale. Tell me your wants, and I'll see if I have it. Nancy Walker, PO Box 521, 13356 E. Hwy 88, Lockeford, Cal. 95237 Tel: (209) 951-0924 & (209) 727-5624

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American Clock decals including "Rub off" decals for dials and company; date charts for American and European clocks; my book, "It's About Time"; some collector's clocks. By appointment only.....Dorothy Glenk 825-9039

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I still have a number of Pocket Watches available Call me at (415) 935-7189 or write Dick Williams, PO Box 2034, Martinez, Cal. 94553 Lists, pictures of clocks and watches available upon request.

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Anyone looking for a Longcase clock for a dandy Christmas Present should see John North or call him at 676-9188

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS: Dorothy Glenk and Royal English are available at most of the meetings to answer your questions on clock repair and history (Please no questions on values)

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*** A T T E N T I O N ! ***

Deadline for the February issue is January 10th. Outgoing Chairmen are responsible for February Bulletin Articles unless pre-arranged with the new Chairman

See me at the meeting with your contribution, or mail it to me at Sanderson's Box number...Box 3304, Walnut Creek, Cal. 94598

. Dorothea 
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ANNOUNCEMENT *

Dorothy Glenk has opened a shop called Village Antiques at The Villages, 101E Town and Country Dr., Danville adjacent to your friendly Safeway store. Dorothy will have all kinds of clocks available...American, English and European as well as other antiques particularly glass at which she is an expert! She will accept consignments (for a fee of course) and offers appraisals on antiques including clocks. Congratulations and good luck Dorothy on your new venture.

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SUGGESTION BOX ☆

It is present at EVERY meeting! It is usually on the desk at the "Sign in" table.

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EDITOR'S MESSAGE

I was delighted to see "Tick Fever" back in the Bulletin. I for one have missed it and hope John won't be so noticable by his absence in the future.

I can't stress enough that it is important to let these writers know that you enjoy their articles. The pleasure they give to others is the only remuneration they have. The Fords, John North, John Sanderson, Dorothy Glenk, Don Levison have been constant contributors and certainly have my thanks as the Editor. I am sure no one would have any objection if you use the suggestion box for that purpose...and indeed urge you all to do so.

The Chapter has a great number of new collectors who are hungry for knowledge, and a lot of knowledgable, sophisticated collectors who can share that knowledge if not for the good of others...certainly for the good of the clock. No article is too short, no member too new. Certainly, new collectors are more aware of the problems they face than the seasoned collector. If you are reluctant to sign your name to what you might think is a stupid question...type it and mail it to the Box! I'll get the answers and print them.

December is "awareness" month. Those of you who attend the meeting please put your comments in the Suggestion Box!

Dorothea