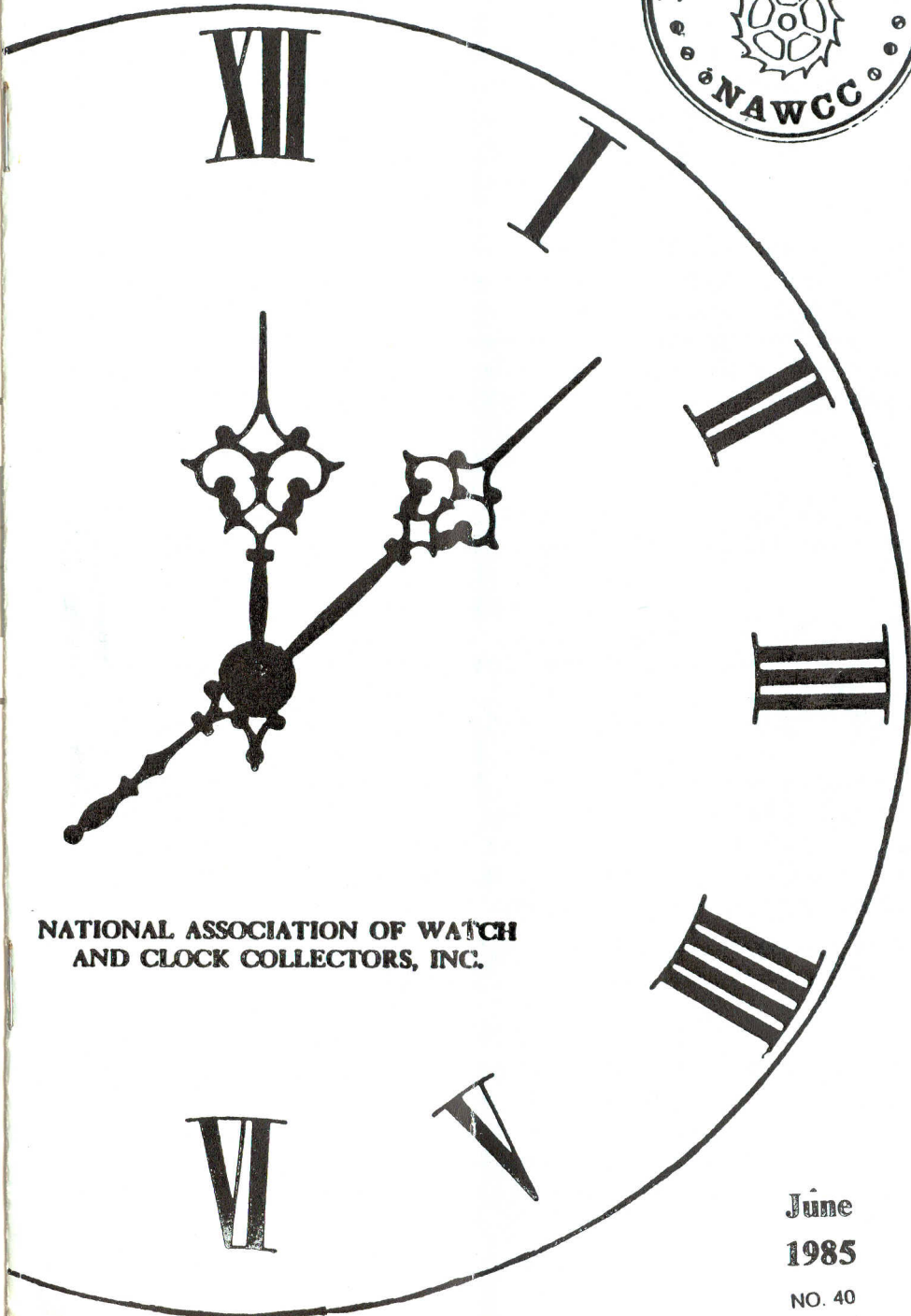
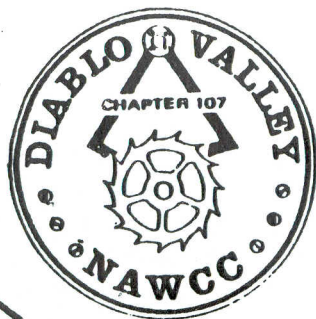


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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Here it is June Already!! Time sure passes
 fast...Time for Summer vacations... Sure hope
 to see all of you at our June meeting, that
 you are not going on vacation.. We will be
 having our White Elephant Auction sale this
 month along with the Ugly Clock Contest.
 Scott and Sandy said they would not bring their
 1st & 2nd place clocks from last year. So...
 there is hope for the rest of you this time
 around.

I received a letter from the NAWCC National
 President. Various items of interest are:

1.)Cassettes of the Bulletin are available
 for the Vision-Impaired.

2.)The National's Library is no longer
 funded from member dues. It asks for Memorial
 gifts from the Chapters. (Our own librarian
 suggested that we donate to the National with-
 out waiting for someone to "die").

3.)The annual Presidents Breakfast at the
 National Convention in Atlanta on June 22nd
 needs a representative from our Chapter. Any-
 one going, please see me at the beginning of
 our meeting.

4.)The Museum & Research Center would like
 a three year total donation of \$50. from each
 member. If you feel you can, send it to
 Doris Ravel in Columbia, P.A.

Concerning our own local chapter, we have
 a very good chance of obtaining Ken Roberts
 to speak at our October meeting. Let's all
 mark our calendars to be sure to be there
 for this event.

So!!! Don't Forget!!! June- White Elephant
 Sale & Ugly Clock Contest. October- Ken Roberts
 on Connecticut Tall Clocks.

Fred



Meeting Information

Date: June 9, 1985

Mart Set-Up: 11:30 AM
Mart Opens : 12:00 Noon

Meeting Begins: 1:00 PM

Display Theme: Ugly Clock Contest
&
White Elephant Auction

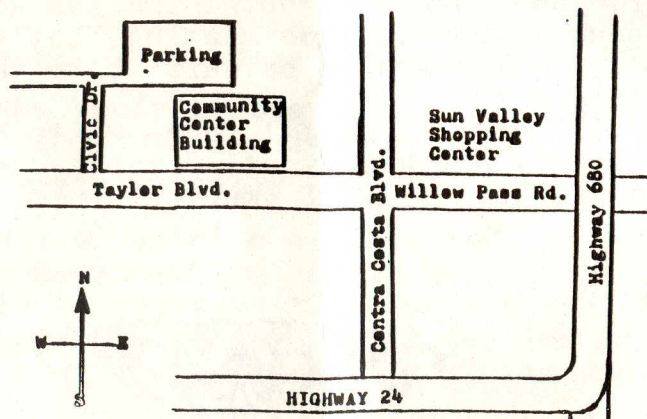
Auctioneer: Bob Prochnow

Let's all bring plenty of material to donate... The more items we have, the more fun it becomes.

Dues: Chapter Members \$15.00

Refreshment Donation of \$1 for
Non-Members.

Mart: FREE Silent Auction: FREE



TAKE PART IN CHAPTER'S ACTIVITIES

June Meeting Display Theme

UGLY CLOCKS AND WATCHES

Last year's member display of their most ugly clock was so overwhelmingly enjoyed that we will do it again.

THUS: The display theme for the June meeting will be your most Ugliest clock or watch. BRING IT! Last years winner is disqualified, of course. But, we plan to have it on display.

The Ugly clock and watch theme goes well with our annual White Elephant sale. However, the display is not part of the auction. (unless the exhibitor thinks this might be a way to get rid of the monster and help the Chapter.)

We must all have a clock or watch that we don't like—bring it to the meeting and the Chapter will share their condolences with you.

Phil Russell
Display Chairman

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

Yes, its that time of year again..... Time for our annual White Elephant Auction. All of us have those treasures to pass on to yet another avid collector. Sooo, please bring anything horological to donate. Remember, all the proceeds go to the chapter....

Bob Prochnow



HOROLOGICAL QUIZ?

Use the best answer for
the statement at
the left!!!

The first clocks constructed in America were probably made in _____.

) Boston, Philadelphia, Providence, Plymouth Hollow,
) Chicago, Walnut Creek.

Plymouth Hollow was renamed Thomastown in honor of Seth Thomas in _____.

1855, 1867, 1865, 1911, 1982.

_____ is considered to be the Father of the modern electric clock. He had 13 patents (horological) by 1933

General Sam Electric, E. Howard, Henry Warren, Bill Timex, Alexander Graham Bell.

Born in 1753 at Grafton, Mass., _____ was one of this countries greatest clock makers.

Riley Whiting, Seth Thomas, Simon Willard, Eli Terry, E.F. Hutton.

_____ was probably the earliest device used to measure the passing of time.

Hourglass, Water clock, Sundial, tower clocks, Lantern clocks, Egg Timer.

_____ developed the wood movement shelf clock around 1812.

Simon Willard, Aaron Willard, Eli Terry, Gideon Roberts, E. Ingraham, Woody Seiko.

_____ Was the first to design a shelf clock movement (wood) that was different than Terry's.

) Norris North, Simon Willard, Riley Whiting, C. Jerome, E.A. Ingraham, Wayne DeLaroche.

_____ produced 'high grade' marine movements from 1897 until 1969.

) Brewster & Ingraham, Westclox, Co., E.N. Welch Co., The Pleasant Hill clock Co.

You can find the
statements on

answers to these
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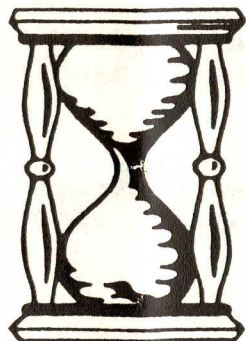
October Meeting Highlights

Plans are currently underway to have Ken Roberts speak at our meeting in October. If it can be arranged, this will be an excellent opportunity to hear from a true expert on American Clocks. Ken Roberts currently has two books out which are excellent: Eli Terry and the Connecticut Shelf Clock & Connecticut Clock Technology. Plan to attend this meeting as this will be a rare chance to hear from one of the most knowledgeable people on American clocks.

WANTED!!!!!!

Clock Books, especially on American Clocks. Bound Editions of the Bulletins, especially prior to 1959. If you have any interesting books, bring them to the meeting.

Bob Prochnow
449-5956



Want to be an Officer???

It's not too early to be thinking of elections. Please help by doing two things.

- 1st) Seriously consider serving as an officer yourself. Try It...You'll Like It!
- 2nd) Put on your thinking cap and conjure up some names for us. Don't hesitate. You slip us the names and we'll do the asking.

The nominating committee publishes its slate of officers in the October Bulletin and Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the October meeting. Election and Installation occur at the December Meeting.

Your Nominating Committee

John North, Phil Russell
Wayne DeLaroché and
John Sanderson

COOKIE FAIR!!!

All you amateur chefs out there pay attention! We are having a Cookie Fair next meeting complete with three judges (not all of whom have been selected yet). We have three starters at the moment and would like to have more to make it a success. Bake a dozen and a half of your favorite cookie (or cookies) and bring them to the next meeting. Each entrant will get a free raffle ticket so see me when you come in or Jack Coulter be on hand to see that you get one if you can't find me. Please me or Freddie a call to let us know that you will be an entrant. The first prize will be \$5 and the second will be \$3. If you are not sensitive about your recipes, write it out on a card and set it in front of your entry. Let's hear it for the cooks of #107.

Anyone interested in judging, please see me at the meeting for we will be selecting the remaining two judges then.

Dorothea

Some Ways to Date Your American Clocks

For many American Clock and Watches it is difficult to determine the exact year it was made I am offering a few ways you might use. You may have other ways which we would like to hear about.

1. Generally, around 1900, many American companies began to date their works. The length number of the pendulum was NOT put on the plate. The numbers are on the plate and will indicate the year and month, or just the year. A single number like 1909 would be the year. Other digits such as 06 on left side of plate and 12 on right side of plate means, June, 1912. (Month on the left, year on the right). Watches might use 3 or 4 digits-like 1006 or 912. 1006 equals Oct. 1906, and 912 equals Sept. 1912.

2. Look at the LAST patent date. This gives an excellent makers date (within 3,4 years) as changes were constantly made and new Patent dates issued.

3. The name of the Printer on the clock's paper for the clock operation can date the clock.

4. Many major companies changed their company names about every 3-5 years (due to fires, merging with others, relocation because of fires, etc.) Name changes were a legal document and of official record.

5. Look at old catalogs fo find your model. Many old catalogs are available (these old catalogs helps in restoration). The National NAWCC library has numerous old catalogs.

6. Case styles, faces, and hands change with the times and can help identify date.

7. The changes in design of the works-wheels, striking wires, plates will help identify the age.

I have only just begun-I am sure. Hope these ideas will be helpful.

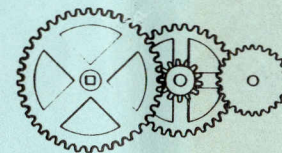
Phil Russell

Horological Quiz Answers:

Philadelphia
1865
Henry Warren
Simon Willard
Sundial
Eli Terry
Norris North
Chelsea Clock Co.



If you answered any of the last of the multiple choice on the right side, it's time to take some money out of your savings and buy some clock books.



Editor Moves:

I have moved... My new address is
435 Laguna Ct.
Livermore, Cal. 94550

Remember!!! Wants! or "For Sales" are FREE to Chapter #107 members. Let's start seeing some ads or are all your collections complete? You can't beat the price.....
As usual, articles are always welcome.

Bob Prochnow