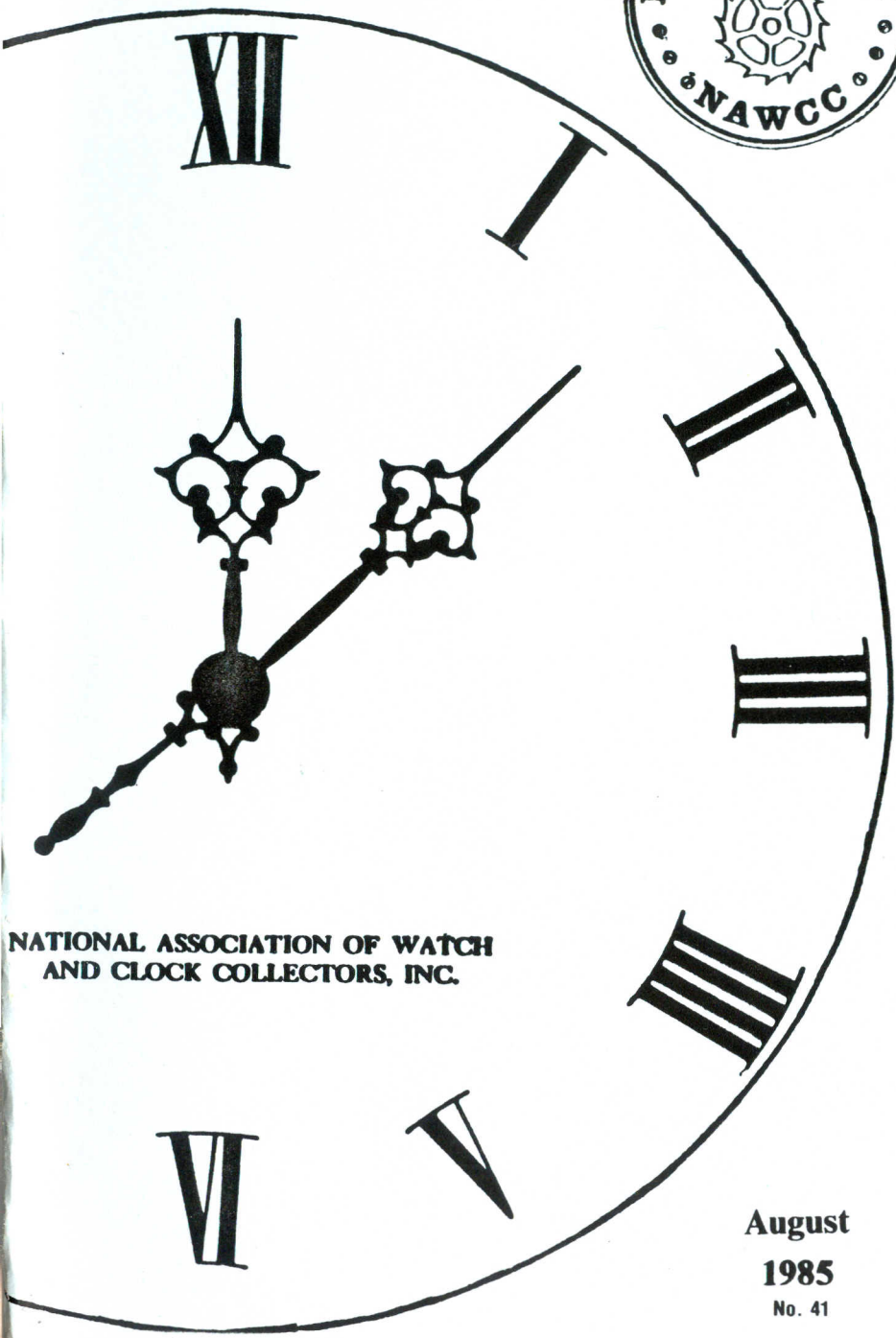
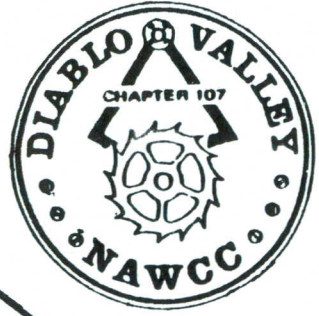


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CHAPTER MOTTO: Accent on Education

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

Well-Here it is August, already and we have
 to be thinking about new officers and directors
 (3) for 1986. Our chapter by-laws do not permit
 an officer or director to succeed himself. We
 need all of our chapter members to think about
 holding an office (If not for '86, than '87).
 The whole purpose is to get everyone involved.
 It doesn't take much extra work. The board meets
 once every two months (alternative with chapter
 meetings).

When you are called on by our Election Committee,
 please say YES!!!

A special thanks to all those who participated
 in the "White Elephant" sale, and the cookie
 contest. Also our congratulations to Bud Ehler
 who won the "Ugly Clock" contest. A lot of fun
 was had by all who Participated in these act-
 ivities.

The year of 1988 will be on us before we know
 it.- Time to start gathering a committee to
 handle this Regional Convention. All those who
 would be interested, please let me know at the
 August meeting or drop me a line at: P.O. BOX
 23315, Pleasant Hill, Cal. 94523.

Hope to see as many of you as possible on
 August 11, 1985.

Freddie



Meeting Information

Date: ^{8/11} ~~June 9~~, 1985

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

Meeting Begins: 1:00 PM

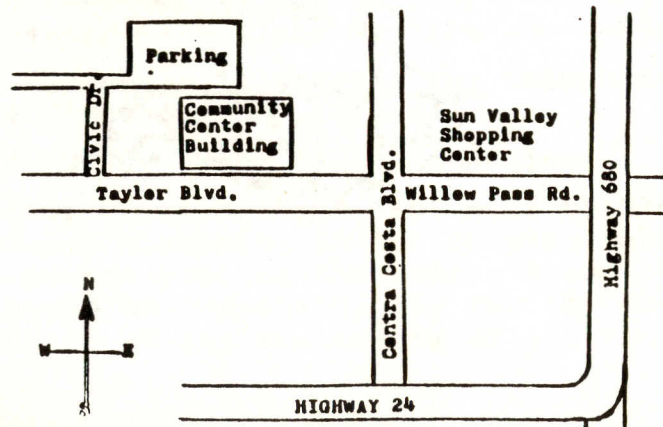
Display Theme: "Rare & Unusual"
Horological Items

Let's make this the best display yet.
Now is the chance for all those great
Horological items to surface.....

Dues: Chapter Members \$15.00

Refreshment Donation of \$1 for
Non-Members.

Mart: FREE Silent Auction: FREE



DISPLAY THEME FOR AUGUST MEETING

The educational and enjoyable phase of our Chapter meeting is the sharing and telling about clocks, watches and time pieces which we have. Us Clock and Watch and Time Piece people will really have an opportunity to Show-Off at the August meeting. The Display Theme is Rare and Unusual Clocks, watches and Time Pieces.

We will certainly look forward to seeing your favorite rare, unusual clock or time piece. Don't wait for someone else to bring theirs, lets all bring one or more. Wagon Springs, Double Steeple, Banjoes, Terry's or what have you ?.

We will all benefit from your display-
BRING IT!

(Note: A clock originally marked the passing of time by striking a bell, thus a clock strikes. A Time Piece shows the time of day only and does not strike nor chime. A watch may do both-difference a watch is portable, like a wrist watch, pocketwatch, etc)

Phil

Phil Russell
Display Chairman

FROM YOUR LIBRARY CHAIRPERSON

Greetings from your library! We have an excellent selection on a variety of subjects. Any member can take out up to 2 books and 6 bulletins per meeting. Due date is the next meeting.

Fines are \$1 per book/bulletin per meeting passed due. Any and all donations of books and bulletins desired. Extra copies of bulletins used to produce additional revenue for books for your library.

Sandy

QUESTIONS?

Are you uncertain about some of the clocks in your collection?

Do you need more information on the proper ways to restore the case or works?

Are you confused about the period of manufacture or by which company?

The answers to these questions may not be as far away as you think.

Besides having an excellent library, there are many knowledgeable members who will share their knowledge and expertise to help you develop in the clock collecting field. Bring in those questions or clocks to a meeting and ask around. If they don't know the answers, maybe they can steer you in the right direction or to another source.

Remember !!!!!

If you don't ask questions, you won't get an answer.

Questions can also be submitted to the bulletin for an answer in the next issue.

No question is too simple. The only dumb question is "No Question at all".

Bob Prochnow

WANTS WANTS WANTS WANTS

I am looking for Horological books on American clocks, esp. those out of print.

Also: Pocket sundials (Novelty)

Call Bob Prochnow (415) 449-5956

HOROLOGICAL QUIZ

Match the names of those in column A who were in business with those in Column B.

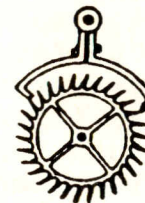
A

E. Brewster
J. Birge
C. Boardman
C. Jerome
E. Howard
S. Thomas
G. Curtiss
J. Bishop
C. Ives
L. Clarke
H. Hubbell

B

D. Davis
S. Hoadley
L. Bradley
E. Ingraham
T. Fuller
J. Wells
S. Clark
L.C. Ives
L. Beach
W. Gilbert
N. Jerome

Answers to the Horological Quiz can be found on the last page.....



Silent Auction

Don't forget to bring those items for the silent auction. What could be more fun than to relax, enjoy yourself, and be with friends while also selling your unwanted horological items....It's FREE!!!

WITCHES BREW

Many wood case clocks we have collected have been covered with old wax, grease, dust, oil, spider webs, and 'what nots'. We have found that WITCHES BREW will clean the dirt from the case and will not affect the case or the original finish—including varnishes, paint, shellacs, adamantine, lacquer, et al. Do not use Brew on dials or faces as these are special problems.

If the case needs minor repairs, make them before you clean the clock case. The wash solution from the Witches Brew will help blend repair areas. Excess dust may be wiped off first with a soft cloth, but it is not necessary.

Witches Brew should be applied liberally to the selected work area with a soft cloth, use a tooth brush or other soft brush for corners and hard to get at areas. Wash gently with the Brew—let the soap do the work. You can use 0000 (4 Ott) steel wool and gently wash the area. (Do not vigorously scrub using the steel wool). Clean off the excess Brew often with soft kitchen paper towels or cloth to remove the dirt. Let the Brew stand on the work area for several minutes and gently wash before removing. When you are satisfied the case is clean, let the case dry for about 24 hours. Then use "Scotts Liquid Gold"—wood cleaner and preservative available at the grocery store. (There may be equal cleaners). Apply the Liquid Gold following their directions. Use a soft cloth and go over the cleaned case. (Be sure you clean the back and insides)

What a surprise on how sharp and clean the case looks. We have had excellent success.

WITCHES BREW FORMULA

(For one quart of Brew)

1. 4 Table spoons ($\frac{1}{2}$ cup) of Boiled linseed oil. (Boiled linseed as bought in the store)
2. 4 Table spoons ($\frac{1}{2}$ cup) of Turpentine
3. About $\frac{1}{3}$ cup of Ivory Snow pure soap
4. Add warm water to make one quart. Mix the soap in the water before adding other mix.
5. Shake Well.

WITCHES BREW* Continued:

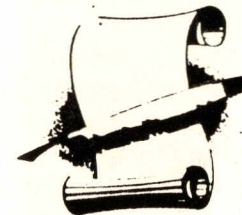
After shaking well the mixture will separate after standing a short time. —no problem.

Put the left over Witches Brew in a closed container (we use a quart glass jar) It can be set aside for several weeks/months and used again. To use again bring the BREW to room temperature, shake well and it is ready to use.

USE THIS WITCHES BREW AT YOUR OWN RISK
(This keeps us from being sued if you or your finish goes haywire)

We have never had any problems. Good luck and let us know how you make out. Any questions, ask.

Phil & Sarah Russell



BOOK REVIEW

Gustav Becker Story by Karl Kochmann

Our own Karl Kochmann has written several books concerning European clockmaking. The Gustav Becker story covers the life and times of one of the most famous industrial clockmakers in Europe.

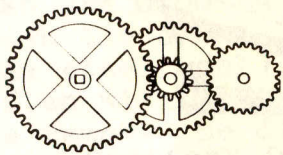
The book covers dates and serial numbers for easy period identification. It also has many catalog page excerpts which are both entertaining and informative.

The best part is that you can usually find Karl at one of the meetings to sign the book and you'll have a personally autographed book by the author. (I have one).

Bob Prochnow

1988 Western Regional

The 1988 Regional will be hosted by the Diablo Valley Chapter. Fred Cuthill has asked for volunteers to help with this event. Please volunteer your time. Having participated in the San Jose Regional last year, I can truly say it was a memorable experience. This will be an opportunity for our chapter to really make ourselves known. It does take a lot of people working towards making the event a success. There are many tasks to do and the more volunteers, the easier the job will be for us all. Experience is not necessary, only a desire to help the chapter.



Bob Prochnow

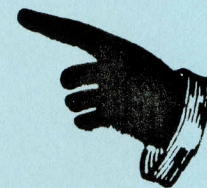
From's Bob's Dictionary:

Timepleaser: A favorite Watch or clock.
Timesaving : Saving to buy a watch or clock.
Timekeeper : Another name for a Watch or Clock collector.
Timeless : Another name for someone who is not a Watch or Clock Collector.
Time Signature : When a clock or watch collector signs a check to pay for a horological item.

Bob Prochnow

Horological Quiz Answers:

Brewster	Ingraham
Birge	Fuller
Boardman	Wells
C. Jerome	N. Jerome
Howard	Davis
Thomas	Hoadley
Curtiss	Clark
Bishop	Bradley
C. Ives	L.C. Ives
Clarke	Gilbert
Hubbell	Beach



Editor's Note:

I hope all of you enjoy these quizzes as much as I enjoy putting them together. There may be others who have ideas, or suggestions for the bulletin, whether subjects you would like to see covered or whatever. All you have to do is ask!!! Let's all contribute and make the Diablo Valley Bulletin something we can all can be proud of putting together.

Material Needed:

As always, material is needed for the next issue. Dig out those old formulas, research materials, riddles or what-have-you, and send them to:

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