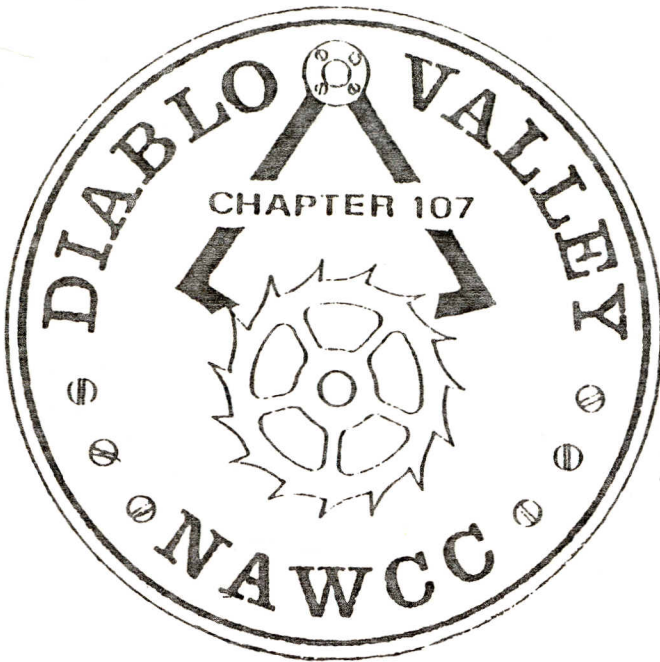


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Diablo Valley Chapter #107 Pleasant Hill, Cal.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WATCH AND CLOCK COLLECTORS

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(where chair is shared telephone number of first name listed is shown)

Club Motto: Accent on Education

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE  
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Your Executive Board made several important decisions at the June Board Meeting.

First, firm policy was set on use of membership lists. While recognizing the need for members to communicate with other members, your Board felt security overrode other factors. The following policy was established:

1. Chapter membership lists will not be given to any person for any purpose, except one copy each to the President, Membership Chairman, and Editor.
2. Any chapter member shall be allowed one-half page of advertising free in The Bulletin. Members or non-members may prepare advertising inserts to be included with The Bulletin, with the Editor's permission, provided any extra mailing charges resulting, are paid by the advertiser.

Second, the summer picnic suggested at our June Chapter meeting was discussed. The Board voted not to persue such a picnic meeting since we only have six meetings per year, and the December meeting is already devoted primarily to social events, with the installation, and pot luck meal.

Third, social type notices in The Bulletin shall be limited to welcoming of new chapter members.

I'd like to close this time by thanking Andre Aldenhuysen for making our beautiful new suggestion box, and by urging everyone to use it.

*The North*



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A NOTE FROM YOUR TREASURER:

At the recent Board Meeting, it was decided that our Chapter send a gift certificate in the amount of \$15.00 to the Southwestern Regional. Anyone who attends that meeting can take pride in our Chapters modest participation in making their Regional a success!

BOB GUSTAFSON  
TREASURER

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ATTENTION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE!

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:30 pm, August 29th at Warren Hampton's. Call Warren for directions. Any member may attend.

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FOR SALE

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We have another new advertiser this month. See Bud Ehler's ad. Ads may be sent to Diablo Valley Bulletin, Box 23315, Pleasant Hill, Cal. or see Dorothea Sanderson at the August meeting. Write or type your ad for accuracy and be sure to sign it. It's free, so take advantage of it.

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WANTS

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Bezel & Glass for Ansonia Mantle clock with 5 5/8" opening

Movement for 30 hr. Time & Strike Seth Thomas 14" Shelf Clock

Call Bud Ehler 228-5387



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WANTS

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Welch Spring Clocks of the opera or composer series John Sanderson 937-6272

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American Clocks - Minature Cottage Clocks and Minature 8 day shelf clocks.

Tom Cooley 689-4047

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Have you ever gone to an auction and examined 200 clocks in half an hour? Then bought a nice specimen, which upon examination proves to have no strike train? Well, I would never admit to such stupidity, but I am now in need of the strike train for a New Haven kitchen clock type movement of about 1890. Outside dimensions of the plates are 5 1/16" high by 3 5/8" wide. I will buy or trade for another old movement. John North 676-9188

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Porcelaine case, opening about 4 3/4 inches for Ansonia works.

Spring barrel, strike side, for round Waterbury works. 90 teeth, about 42.25mm diameter; 14.25 mm thickness.

Call Phil Russell 229-2462

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Lux-Keebler pendulettes

Seth Thomas 8 day miniature roundband

Old Blacks

Ginny & Joe Ford

223-3415

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FOR SALE

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Seth Thomas Sonora Chimes on bells, 8 day mantle, c. 1920 \$325. Call Joe Ford 223-3415

8 day Sessions movement for black mantle clock \$25. Call Joe Ford 223-3415

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Unusual and Fine Electric Factory Wall Clock (Battery run) Painted Dial, Mint Condition made by American Clock Co., Chicago \$195. Call Bob Gustafson 687-3389

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Waterbury Kitchen Clock Time & Strike, 8 Day \$140.

Ansonia Black Iron Mantle Time & Strike \$70.

Ingram - Movement only, 11 Inch drop Time & Strike \$125.

Bud Ehler Call 228-5387

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That lovely "passing strike" skeleton clock is still available. It is in mint condition and an asset to anybody's mantle.

French "Urn Top" Strikes on a bell....two weeker. \$300.

English International Time Clock - Oak good condition \$275.

John Sanderson 937-6272

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FOR SALE

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F. Kroeber Metal Mantle Clock \$250.

Waltham 23 jewels, Vanguard pocket watch 16 size railroad model, lever set, adjusted to six positions, silveroid case \$150.

Hamilton U.S. Air Corps. Navigation pocket watch 22 jewels, 16 size sweep second hand, "Hack"feature, 24 hour dial, adjusted to six positions, original military (Silveroid) case. \$135.

Call Roger Wilcox 944-0788

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Watch crystal setting and removing tool, complete with adaptors for various sizes, \$20.

Dremel variable speed Mototool, complete with drill press adapter and large assortment of sanders, drills etc. - all for \$50.

Ansonia Brass & Copper Co. 30 hour time and strike shelf clock, excellent condition - \$135.

Modern G.F. Clock, triple chime, moving moon dial, black walnut, beveled glass 7' tall. \$695.

Distilled Mercury for sale. \$7.50 per pound.

Call Tom Cooley 689-4047

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If anyone needs silvering powder, see John Sanderson. He can package it in small quantities if there is enough interest.

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AUGUST MEETING

AUGUST 12, 1979

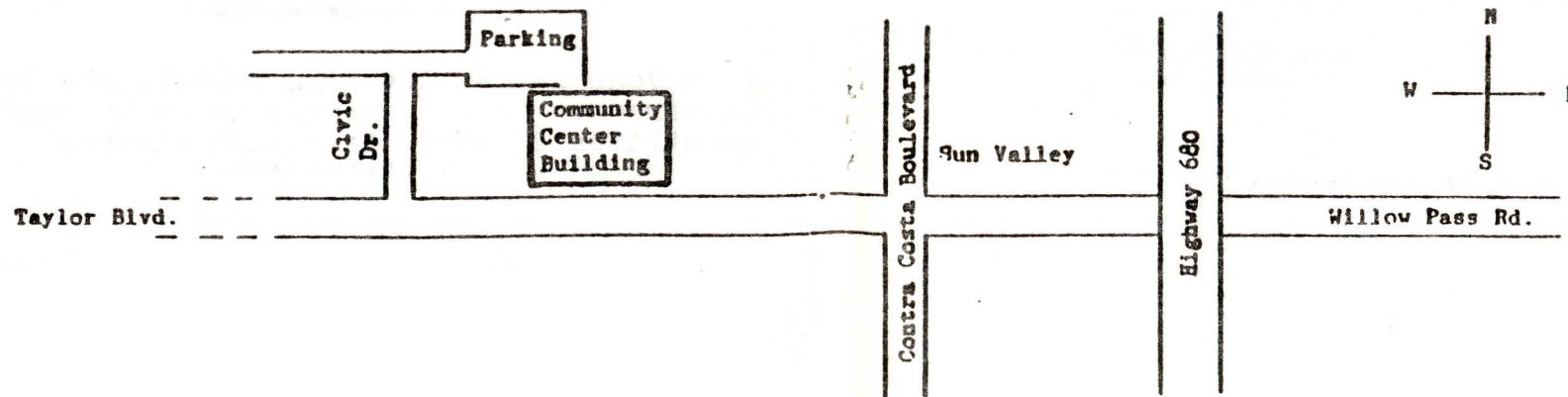
Mart Set-up 12:00 Noon

Meeting begins at 1:00pm

Display: ENGLISH CLOCKS AND WATCHES

PROGRAM: CLOCKS AND WATCHES IN THE COLLECTION OF  
THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF CLOCKMAKERS

PLACE: Pleasant Hill Community Center Club Room  
320 Civic Drive  
Pleasant Hill, Cal. 94523



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FROM YOUR CHAIRMEN  
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## PROGRAM CHAIRMEN

The program this month will be given by John Sanderson. John spent the month of March in England where he took slides of clocks and watches in the various museums in London. He was particularly impressed with the collection of the Worshipful Company of Clockmakers housed in the Guildhall Museum in London. The museum not only houses many fine examples from the finest English Clockmakers, but also their personal papers, sketches, and letters. What a wealth of information.

There will also be a few slides of the 14th Century Salisbury Cathedral Clock

Jack Coulter

This meeting's display theme is English clocks and watches. As in the past, I am urging all members to bring something for our display table. Please do not feel that your clock or watch is not worthy of our display table because it is not a rare or very unusual piece. The display table would surely be bare if we were to display museum pieces only. Variety and quantity are what make it enjoyable for all of us.

Starting with this meeting, we are adding a new dimension to our display. For those of you that wish to do so, you may say a few words about the clock or watch you have brought. Besides adding enjoyment and interest to the meeting, it could be very useful for those individuals in search of information about their item, whether it be history or missing parts they are seeking.

For those that do not wish to speak about their display item, please bring a small card with information about the item such as country of origin, maker, age, etc. Now is the time to start thinking about the item you would like to bring to help make this the best display yet.

Don Gianinni

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## Facilities Chairman


We heard complaints about the Mart setup on the top floor of the meeting hall. As a matter of fact, those dissenting were rather vocal, while we didn't hear any praise to speak of. Therefore, we're going to change the Mart back to the first floor. Please tell us if you like the change or not. We can't please everyone, but we'll try.

Fred Cuthill & John Sanderson

## Library Chairman

Support your local Library!

We are getting more books & Bulletins, but we could sure use alot more. Our membership is growing, and our library needs to grow with it, to meet it's members needs. Let's all get on the "book" wagon, and GIVE, GIVE, GIVE!! Thanks to our latest givers, Joe Ford and Jim McElroy. Keep 'em Coming!



## MART CHAIRMAN

Members are reminded that the cost of a Mart table, only \$1.00 for a half and \$2.00 for a whole table. is one of the best bargains available. An unusual and varied selection of horological items is one of the best ways to foster interest in clocks and watches, and greatly assists our members in expanding the scope of their hobbies. It also encourages new members to start a collection and a lifetime of exciting discovery. So clean out those drawers and come buy a table - if you label your contribution an "antique watch repair tool" Roger will probably buy it. (If he doesn't Royal English will!)

Roger F. Wilcox

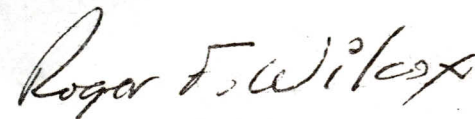
## WINDING YOUR POCKETWATCH:

If you have a good quality or high-grade pocket watch that you expect to keep accurate time, you should keep in mind three precepts, as regards winding:

1. Wind regularly
2. Wind in the morning and
3. do not wind it too tightly.

The reason for winding regularly is in order to use the same amount of uncoiling of the mainspring each day. Wind in the morning because usually a person's habits are more regular then, the spring will be taut and pulling with its greatest force while the watch is worn (and subjected to the motions and jolts and uses of the day) and because there is less danger of breaking the mainspring (mainsprings sometimes break at night just after taken from a warm pocket, wound up tightly, and then put in a cooler place - due to temperature contraction of the already tightly coiled spring).

There are three reasons why a watch should not be wound too tightly: The oil is squeezed out, too much tension is put on the escapement, and there is a danger of breaking the mainspring, particula rly if wound at night.





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NEW MEMBERS  
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Ronald Matting - San Francisco  
Bud Ehler - Martinez  
C. Claude Buettner - Walnut Creek  
Ray Abram - Vallejo  
Nelson Harris - San Rafael  
James Tallman - Walnut Creek  
Emory Rees - Danville  
Jack Mannie - Antioch  
Jane Saville - San Ramon

A hearty welcome to these new members!

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A recent Wall Street Journal article with regard to new Condo's being built in Florida states " We're adding a foot to the height of some of our ceilings so the lousy grandfather clocks can come in."

Hurry for our side!



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TIPS

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If you have a clock with the veneer raised, put a towell over it an go over with a steam iron. This will usually reseal the old glue.

Ginny & Joe Ford

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Oil of Wintergreen is a good cutting agent for drilling or turning. Obtainable from drug stores.

Doug Green

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Jim McElory donated "Repairing Antique Clocks" by Eric Smith, and Joe Ford donated National Bulletins dated December 1961, February 1965, and October 1967. Many thanks to these contributors.

Incidentally has any one noticed the finely made boxes housing our library???? They were made by Fred Cuthill as were all the plastic signs seen around.

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Our meeting schedule is the second Sunday of the following months:

~~January,~~  
February, April, June, August, October and December

For our newer members - the August meeting is the meeting at which a call will be made from the floor for nominations for the slate of the 1980 officers. Think about it carefully and come to the meeting prepared. This is your chance to influence the course of your Chapter.

The slate of perspective officers will appear in our ~~DEC~~ issue, with the election and presentation of the new officers at our December "Pot Luck" social/mart.

I'd like to thank Roger Wilcox for his article on watches, and Doug Green and Ginny and Joe Ford for their contributions to "Tips".

Let's make our Bulletin the BEST in the area. (I've heard we are only second best.) Write your article now and give it to me at the August meeting.

Yours for a bigger and better Bulletin,

Dorothea Sanderson, Editor

