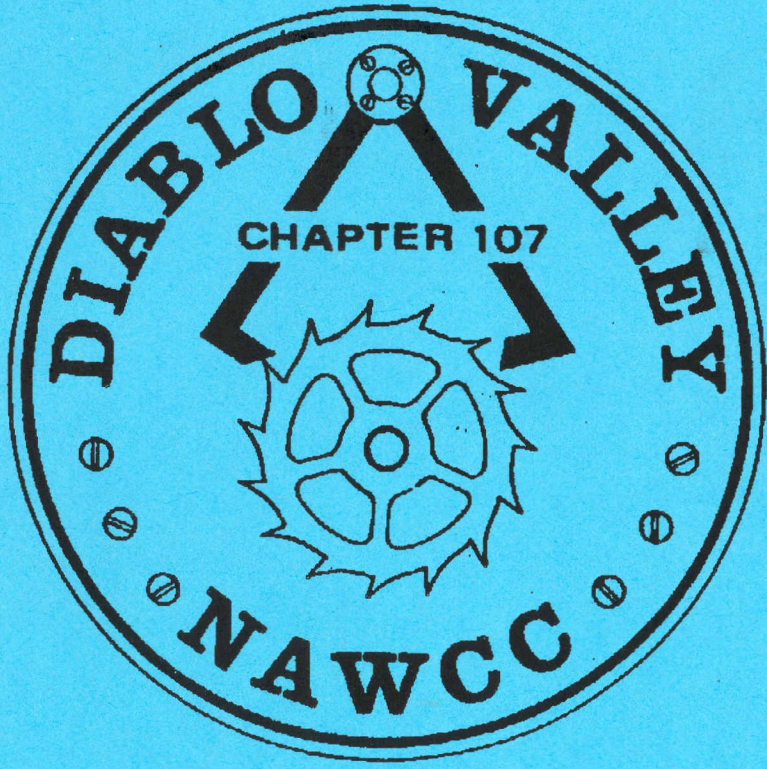


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National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors

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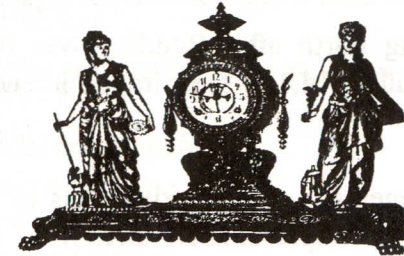
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AUGUST 9, 1998 Meeting

Acalanes Adult Center

(The old Del Valle High School)



***** **TIMES** *****

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| Mart Setup/Start | 11:00AM |
| Mart Ends | 12:00Noon |
| Program Start | 12:00Noon |

***** **PROGRAM** *****

UGLY CLOCK CONTEST COOKIE BAKE-OFF WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION

Steve Fabes will again be our auctioneer. Clean out the attic, garage, living room mantle and back room of your horological goodies and donate them to the Chapter. All profits will remain with the Chapter for Chapter use.

***** **DISPLAY** *****

Bring your ugliest clock and your best cookies.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On Sunday, June 21, my wife Sophia and I started the drive to Portland, Oregon, to attend the National Convention.

The scenery going north after Redding was beautiful and Mt. Shasta standing tall at 14,162 feet draped in snow, was an awesome sight.

One of my privileges as your President was to attend the newly named "The Chapter Representative Breakfast" presided over by President Dave Morgan. This forum is to bring us up to date on what is happening back at the National as well as to answer questions from the floor.

One of the points that Dave brought up is that the NAWCC has run into a problem concerning its new building program for the museum at Columbia, PA. The organization wants to enlarge the parking area, and in order to do so must tear down a duplex that sits on the corner of the existing property. The NAWCC owns half of the building and has offered the owners of the other half twice what the property is worth. The offer has been refused. At the time of the convention a final proposal was presented, and if it is not accepted we move along as originally planned. This area will be used to park diesel tour busses. We'll see who will get the last laugh.

The President's personal undertaking of the suitcase courses is under way with the first one being held in Oklahoma City. Dave also talked about the need to increase the membership of the club. We seem to pick up 600 members and lose just about the same number. His solution was for everyone to pick up a new member this year and taking a personal interest in making them a lasting member.

The watch school just received a half million dollars worth of high grade equipment for its use. Also our classes are booked a year in

advance.

The Web Page <http://www.NAWCC.org> is very popular and will be getting more attention from Roger Huegal and Gordon Huber. When asked for a show of hands as to who was using the Web Site, about 90% of those in attendance raised their hands.

The lectures for this convention were as follows:

1. Japanese Clocks and Watches.
2. Baird Advertising Clocks.
3. Clock Restoration At West Dean College.
4. The Foucault Pendulum
5. Biographical Horology - Making Time Pieces "Live Again".
6. Evaluation, Research, & Pricing Of Antique Clocks.
7. Be sure The Train is on Time.
8. Character Watch Collecting - The fun IS In The Pursuit.
9. Works of Art and Art That Works - Public Clocks of Vancouver, Canada.
10. French Lantern Clocks.
11. What's Different About Canadian Clocks?
12. Captain George Vancouver's Chronometer.
13. Glass Gilding and Bronzing.
14. Gold Leaf Restoration.

These seminars were well received.

Working the Mart was like old home week. Chapter 107 had 10 of its members in attendance. I think I can speak for all that we had a great time.

PLEASE NOTE: The August 9 meeting will feature the "UGLY CLOCK" Contest and the Cookie BAKE-OFF.

Dale Gardner

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KNOW YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS

— ROY HOLMAN —

I was born and raised in Oakland and graduated from San Jose State in the middle 50s. I worked as an Engineer in the Oakland Fire Dept. for 28 years and have been retired for 12 years.

My wife, Joan, is a retired nurse after 38 years at Merritt(Summit) Hospital. We have 3 children, a boy and 2 girls. The oldest 2 are recently married, but no grandchildren - yet. We try to get away 2 or 3 times a year usually towing our small house trailer. Otherwise I'm content tinkering around the house and garden.

I developed an interest in clocks when my wife acquired a kitchen clock that had been her Grandparents' wedding gift. The strike would occasionally act up, and I noticed a clock repair class given close by at the Piedmont Adult School. That class folded so I started attending the class given by Royal English at the Acalanes Adult School. I'm probably the longest attending participant in the class, which is now taught by Wayne English.

I'm more interested in the movements, rather than the case styles, and really enjoy bringing a faulty clock back to life, or helping someone with their repair job.

Roy didn't mention he has held several Chapter Chairs including Secretary (since 1994) and also stores our library for us. ed.

FROM THE PORTLAND NATIONAL

Jay Taylor has provided me with a large number of notes from the Portland National. It is impossible to publish them here so I will try to list the highlights. Jay will be at the August meeting to answer questions.

IT Task Force Meeting:

1. Council wishes Mission statement from the Task force.

2. More NAWCC members have computers than assumed.
3. Fairness Issue in regards to those non-PC people.
4. Internet is the future for all organizations.
5. NAWCC internet site will not include items for sale.
6. Include member E-mail address on member database.
7. Website is primarily organization business not horological.
8. Must work with HQ to accomplish goals.
9. Replacement of computer.
10. Sensitivity to people not having computer skills.
11. Forum is a valuable tool.

Annual Business Meeting:

1. Treasurer's report positive.
2. Revival of suitcase classes.
3. By-law Revisions.
4. Marketing Program to support Museum.
5. New building progressing well - grand opening April 99.
6. Headquarters move in September - a lot of planning.
7. School of Horology booked one year in advance.
8. Bulletin to increase to avoid article backlog.
9. Barkly Stevens collection transfer to National.

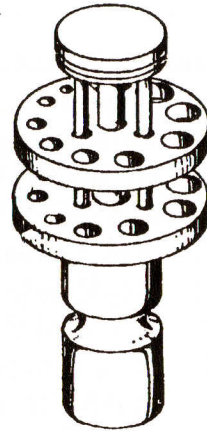
NAWCC Council Meeting:

1. Music Box Society association opposed.
2. Improving communication.
3. Marketing plan for NAWCC and Museum.
4. By-law revision.
5. Revival of the Suitcase Training Program.
6. Funding of database project for Pocket Horology Chapt.
7. Donation to the American Clock and Watch Museum.
8. Donation refused for Florida University Clock Tower.
9. Council Forum E-mails.
10. Timely notice of Council meetings to members.
11. Areas of cooperation with AWI.
- 12.. Electronic Mart idea turned down.
13. Dues Increase

THIS MONTH'S TECHNICAL QUIZ

Here is this month's technical quiz. Send in your quiz question. Answers are at the bottom but No Peeking.

1. What is endshake?
2. How much bigger should a press fit bushing be than the hole? (You get extra credit for answering this one correctly.)
3. Whose trademark is an 'A' inside a diamond?
4. You have borrowed a Watch book to look up a Waltham watch you have been given. Waltham is not listed in the directory. What is the problem?
5. What is the watch tool shown at the right? (actual height about 1 1/2 inches)
6. What is a Detent? (note: This question has nothing to do with the political relationship between two countries)



- Answers to this month's Technical Quiz
1. It is the free movement between the shoulders of the pivot and the plate. It can cause wear of the pivot shoulders or the hole.
 2. .03 mm larger in diameter than the hole.
 3. Ansonia.
 4. Waltham watches are usually listed under the American Waltham Watch Company.
 5. It is a hand broaching vise used to enlarge the hand hole.
 6. It is a lever that locks something or holds up a spring. Used often in the strike mechanism.

CHAPTER #107 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Regional: \$1,000 has been turned over to the 1998 Regional for "Seed" Money. Chapter #107 is responsible for security at the loading dock. This also includes providing assistance to those transferring item from their vehicles to the mart tables and then back if not sold. Chapter #107 will sign up for a mart table if enough members are interested. The table cost will be covered by the sellers.

Meeting Time: We will continue with 11am mart setup and 12 noon start time for our program.

City College of San Francisco acquisitions: We have many boxes of literature and equipment acquired from the now defunct watch and clock class at City College of San Francisco. A discussion was held on ways to store these items, as well as our extensive library.

August Meeting: It was decided to hold our August meeting at our regular location, rather than at a picnic site.

INTERNET NOTES

Chpt 15's web site <http://www.flash.net/~chapt15/newsletter.html>. Get completely free E-mail from Juno at <http://www.juno.com> or call Juno at 800-654-JUNO(654-5866).—Jay Taylor

Next month I will try to collect and place in a column as much clock related internet information as I can. So if you have related info I would appreciate receiving it. Thanks, Bill.

EDITOR'S NOTES

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I am always open to new ideas for the bulletin so let me know if you have some. I am also very anxious to get some book reviews in for our column and questions for the technical quiz.

Chapter #107 MEETINGS

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| Mart | Second Sunday 11:00AM | - Even numbered months |
| Chapter | Second Sunday 12:00PM | - Even numbered months |
| Board | Second Sunday | - following the Chapter Meeting |
| Evening | First Friday 7:30PM | - Odd numbered months |

1998 MEETING DATES

SUNDAY& Board

February 8th
 April 19th (field trip)
 June 14th
 August 9th
 October 10th
 December 13th (luncheon)

FRIDAY EVE*

January 9th
 March 6th
 May 8th
 July 10th
 September 11th
 November 7th

**where the first Friday conflicted with a Holiday we scheduled*

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

The Golden Gate Regional is scheduled for October 22-24 in Oakland. It is not too soon to think about offering your services. It is also not too early to think about how you would like to help when #107 has responsibility for the Regional next year.

TOOL LIBRARY

The following tools are available for two-week periods.....at NO COST! call Walt Hubrig @ 510-685-0260

- *new* L&R Ultrasonic Cleaner w/basket 11 3/4" x 9 3/4" x 6"
- *** TIMETRAX #160AC Timing m/c with beat amplifier
- *** Webster Depthing Tool
- *** Webster Escape Wheel Tooth Straightener
- *** Power Punch (for end holes in mainsprings etc.)

DIRECTIONS TO CHAPTER MEETINGS

Sunday Meetings

From Oakland - Highway 24 going East

Take Pleasant Hill Road South exit
 At light, turn right onto Pleasant Hill Rd
 At end, turn left on Olympic
 At light, turn right onto Tice Valley
 Go up until first light
 Go another 150 yards and just before Pedestrian X-ing - turn right into Acalanes Adult Center, Del Valle Theater - room D-1
 (address 1963 Tice Valley Boulevard)

From San Ramon - Highway 680 going North

Take South Main exit
 Left on Newell
 Left on Olympic
 Left on Tice Valley
 Go up until first light
 Go another 150 yards and just before Pedestrian X-ing - turn right into Acalanes Adult Center, Del Valle Theater - room D-1
 (address 1963 Tice Valley Boulevard)

From Benicia - Highway 680 going South

At 680/24 take Highway 24 to Oakland/Lafayette
 Take first exit - Pleasant Hill Road South
 Go under freeway onto Pleasant Hill Rd
 At end, turn left on Olympic
 At light, turn right onto Tice Valley
 Go up until first light
 Go another 150 yards and just before Pedestrian X-ing - turn right into Acalanes Adult Center, Del Valle Theater - room D-1
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Friday Meetings

Across Tice Valley road from the Acalanes Adult Center (directions above) at the Civic Bank of Commerce.

Note: Due to our tax exempt status only NAWCC members can participate (buy or sell) in our MART - be prepared to show a current NAWCC membership card.