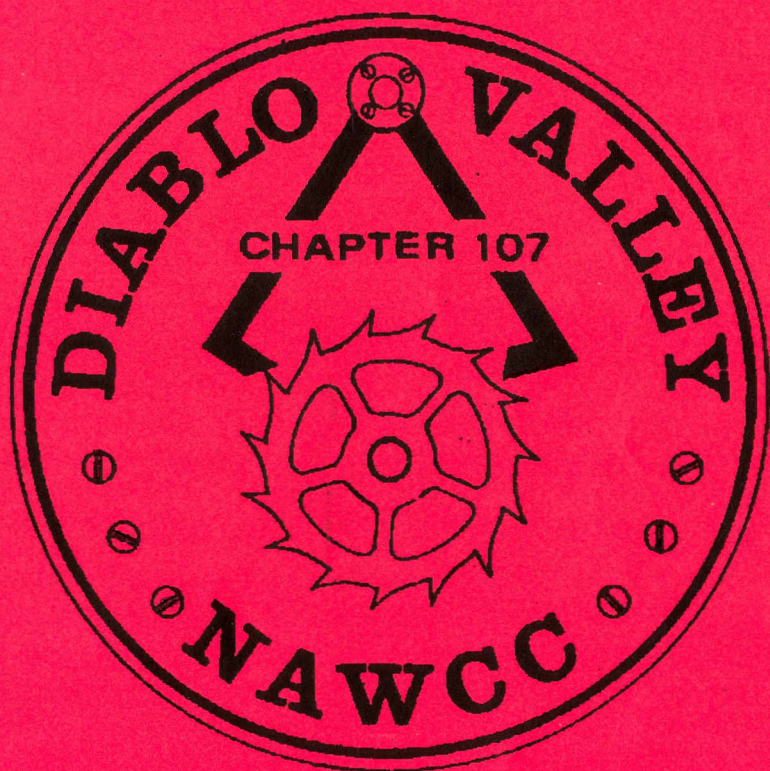


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# DIABLO VALLEY CHAPTER 107

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors

Chapter Motto "Accent on Education"

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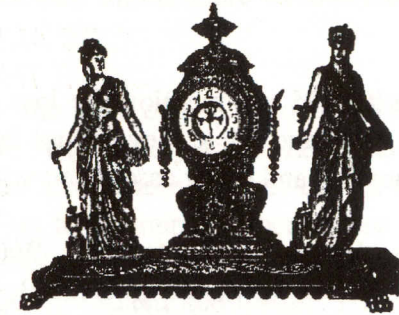
## December 13th, 1998 Meeting

*Hungry Hunter Restaurant*

3201 Mount Diablo Blvd., Lafayette

(Corner Pleasant Hill Road and

Highway 24 — Pleasant Hill South off ramp)



\*\*\*\*\* *No Mart* \*\*\*\*\*

Auction Starts at Noon

Lunch follows the Auction

Ballot Results during dessert

\*\*\*\*\* **ANNUAL HOLIDAY PROGRAM** \*\*\*\*\*

First we must elect the 1999 Officers and Directors. Bring the enclosed ballot — Every vote counts Or mail to PO Box 23315, Pleasant Hill CA 94523

Second, we must eat — at the Hungry Hunter in Lafayette. Please advise Walt Hubrig by sending your reservations and check **BEFORE November 22nd.**

Last we must Auction/Buy/Sell. This is the big one — the serious stuff— none of the junk, the jokes the uglies. Use this auction to sell off pieces that are of high quality and keep all the money — nothing to the Chapter. We really need a good supply of auction items.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



From our home to yours here is wishing you and yours a Happy Holiday Season.

I would be remiss if I did not mention the loss of several of our members this past year, and while they cannot be replaced we are much richer for knowing and being associated with them.

This has been a good year for Chapter 107. We tried to do some things differently, such as our field trip to the Bausch's clock shop to see first hand how professionals work. We are showing video tapes by Tascione on clock or watch repairs at our Friday night meetings, then having one of our members dismantle their clock or pocket watch. This enables us to get a hands on demonstration. I know that I for one now have a greater appreciation for watch people and their particular problems.

Our club was honored this year at the National Convention in Portland, Oregon, by Dave Morgan when he presented us with a Presidential Citation for excellence in meeting the objectives of the NAWCC.

The Golden Gate Regional was better attended and more tables sold than last year. I want to thank those who responded to my words "come and get involved, and see what it will take next year to make 107's a greater success" and remembering that it all falls on our shoulders next November. By the way, our table took in \$479.70. Thanks goes to all those people who brought in items to be sold and to those people who helped with the packaging of the watches, clocks, wheels, tools, and miscellaneous items. Of worthy note, we sold every bit of that stuff, thanks to those of you who helped me behind the table. We all had fun.

I had the opportunity to attend the Seminar in Williamsburg at the Fort Magruder Inn. The subject this year was Southern Horology. There were such speakers as Chris H. Bailey who spoke on the The Life and Times of Lewis Eberhardt, Robert C. Cheney spoke on The Importance of Commerce and Trade in Southern Clockmaking, 1760-1825, and Snowden Taylor on exportation of Connecticut Clocks to the South. In all, there were some 12 speakers over the two days.

The highlight was the tour of the Colonial Williamsburg Dewitt Wallace Decorative Arts Gallery where no holds were barred. We were directed to an area where bracket clocks and watches were out on tables for us to examine. There were white gloves and flashlights on the tables for viewers to use for closer examination. The people were really excited about this. I was able to inspect a bracket clock by Joseph Ellicott. Where else without special arrangements, would you be able to do that. Bonnets on important tall case clocks were also removed. If you ever get a chance to attend one of these seminars, you will not be disappointed.

Last, but not least I would like to thank all of my Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs for their help this year and especially John Stohr for helping me keep all things in proper perspective. Also I would like to thank one and all for allowing me the opportunity to serve as your president for 1998.

Dale Gardner  
1901 Clemens Rd., Oakland, CA 94602-1913  
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## CLOCK QUOTE OF THE MONTH

The Natural Clock-work by the mighty ONE Wound up at first, and ever since have gone. Part of Sun Dial motto on the South Porch of Seaham Church, Durham England



## **VOLUNTEERS, VOLUNTEERS, VOLUNTEERS....**

As the host chapter of the 1999 Regional we stand to take in several thousand dollars into our Chapter 107 Treasury. This on the other hand is not without some cost. The biggest cost is as always TIME. We need volunteers to help make the Regional a success. At this point we are still in search of someone to run registration (a very critical job). And we need lots of volunteers to man the registration and information desks, as well as the infamous RED CAP service. Please realize this is our (Chapter 107) Regional and now is the time to donate hours to help secure the financial future of the Chapter and the Regional.

Jay Taylor 510-522-2409  
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## **REGIONAL IDEAS OR THOUGHTS**

Next year the Regional is Chapter 107's responsibility. For those of you who attended this year's you probably saw some things done you really liked and some you said you hoped our chapter would do differently. How about passing those thoughts/ideas on while they are fresh in your mind? You can pass them on to any of the officers or Jay Taylor who is chairman for the Regional.

## **LIBRARY CORNER**

My ticket was picked in a raffle a few meetings ago and I picked a book donated by Loren Scanlon. The name of the book was Questions and Answers of and for the Clockmaking Profession by Baier, Tigner and Whitney. It consisted of short questions with very clear short answers to some common and some obscure clock subjects. Thank you Loren I have really enjoyed it. I started looking through it for ideas to place in the Technical Quiz. Later because the questions were interesting and the answers were really clear I found myself just perusing it just out of interest. For light reading in the evening or while watching TV there isn't a better technical clock manual.

## **1998 Ballot**

### **Election of Officers for 1999/2000**

Bring Ballot to the December 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting or  
mail to the Chapter at  
PO Box 23315,  
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

# NAWCC Diablo Valley Chapter #107

## Election of Officers - December 1998

### President

G. Price Russ

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### Vice President (vote for two)

Bob Waher

John Stohr

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### Secretary

Lois Naye

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### Treasurer

Walt Hubrig

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### Directors 1999/2000 (Vote for Three)\*

Tom Amour

Garry Charland

Bert Bradly

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\* Sandy Cuthill and Marshall Kamena are returning directors for 1999.

### *Notes*

Before entering a write-in, please make sure that the person will serve if elected.

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**KNOW YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS**

—JACK COULTER—

I was born in San Francisco, grew up in Berkeley, and graduated from the University of California in 1947. I was an electrical engineer with PG&E for 37 years and have been retired for 14 years.

My wife, Cora, is a self-employed tax consultant and we have two children.

I became interested in clocks when my wife showed me a listing for a clock repair class given at Acalanes Adult Education Center. I enrolled in the second class given by Dave Morgan, the originator of this very successful course and now the NAWCC President. Sarah and Phil Russell were members of the first class and very helpful to this novice. I stayed in the class a couple of years (Earl Glenk, Dorothy's husband took over the class when Dave was transferred to N.J.).

Sometime in that first semester I answered an ad for a clock. I didn't buy the clock but before I left his house, John Sanderson convinced me to join the NAWCC. I joined in 1976 and shortly afterward became a member of Chapter 5. When Chapter 107 was formed I became one of the original members. I have served several terms as an officer or director and have been Raffle chairman probably too long.

My interest in clocks is primarily in repairing rather than in collecting and almost not-at-all in selling/trading. There is always a new (to me) movement detail, new problems or different solutions.

That is why I enjoy Chapter 107. I can usually get help on a problem, learn a different method, or just clarify my own thinking by discussing it with one of the members.



**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 maintaining power?—Jack Coulter
2. What are stop works? —Jack Coulter
3. What 1950s rock and roll classic sung by Buddy Holly involved horology?
4. What is a finial?
5. What is a bridge?

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1. Desirable in dead beat escapements to maintain power (torque) on the escape wheel and hence impulse to the pendulum during winding of the weight or spring.
2. Device on the winding arbor to limit the a mainspring from being overwound.
3. The song Rock Around the Clock.
4. An ornamental piece on a clock case. They take on many forms and are made of numerous materials. Examples are balls, pineapples, and carved cylinders.
5. A bridge is metal bar fixed at one or both ends and contains pivot holes for the clock and watch arbors. They were used extensively in early Swiss watches.

**Answers to this month's Technical Quiz**

**KARL KOCHMAN**  
**April 1,1921 — October 19,1998**

Local resident and well known author Karl Kochman passed away in October. He had published 8 books on clocks including such standards as BLACK FOREST CLOCKMAKER and the CUCKOO CLOCK and CLOCK and WATCH TRADEMARK INDEX. Our library, as well as a large number of our members, have his books. Several of our chapter members who knew Karl attended the funeral.

**CHAPTER #107 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**October 11, 1998**

No meeting was held after last Sunday's meeting. The time was used to prepare for the Regional.

*Roy Holman, Secretary*



**EDITOR'S NOTES**  
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Happy Holidays. I wish to thank all the people who contributed to the bulletin over the last year and especially my wife Lee Ann who proofed the Bulletin and contributed a number of great ideas.

This year's Bulletin contributors were Jack Coulter, Sandy Cuthill, Steve Fabes, Dale Gardner, Scott Grabill, Roy Homan, Walt Hubrig, Phyllis and Joe Kanter, Price Russ, Phil and Sarah Russel, John Stohr, and Jay Taylor

Each issue I attempt to find some way to improve the bulletin. Many of those improvements come from others. If you have any ideas please let me know. They make the Bulletin something our Chapter can be proud of. Again Thanks.



## CHAPTER #107 MEETINGS

If any members are having problems or issues with transportation to and from meetings to let a director or officer know so we can help find a carpool to keep our members coming to the chapter meetings on a regular basis.

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

### *1998 Meeting Dates*

<u>SUNDAY&amp; Board</u>	<u>FRIDAY EVE*</u>
February 8 <sup>th</sup>	January 9 <sup>th</sup>
April 19 <sup>th</sup> (field trip)	March 6 <sup>th</sup>
June 14 <sup>th</sup>	May 8 <sup>th</sup>
August 9 <sup>th</sup>	July 10 <sup>th</sup>
October 11 <sup>th</sup>	September 11 <sup>th</sup>
December 13 <sup>th</sup> (luncheon)	November 7 <sup>th</sup>

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

### *Other Important Dates*

Chapter 107 hosts the Golden Gate Regional in November of 1999.

## TOOL LIBRARY

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

- \*\*\* 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 Technical 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.**