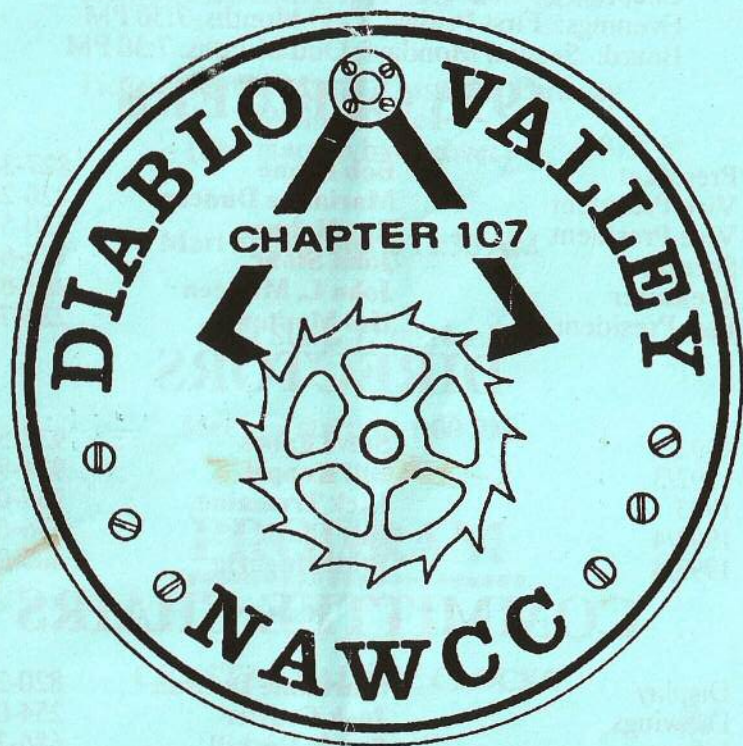


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National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors, Inc.

Chapter Motto: "Accent on Education"

MEETINGS

Chapter: Second Sundays, Even Months, Noon
Evenings: First Fridays, Odd Months, 7:30 PM
Board: Second Mondays, Odd Months. 7:30 PM

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| Program | Roy Holman | 530-5428 |
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MEETING INFORMATION

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1993

at

HOME FEDERAL SAVING AND LOAN

Tice Valley Road and Rossmoor Parkway
Walnut Creek
(See map on back cover)

Mart Set-up Starts 11:30 AM

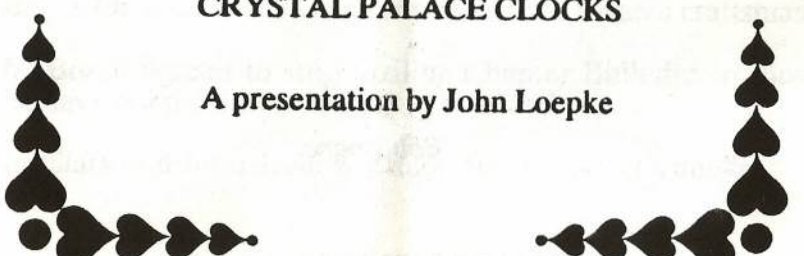
Mart Starts 12:00 Noon

Meeting starts at 1:00 PM

PROGRAM

CRYSTAL PALACE CLOCKS

A presentation by John Loepke



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi! As your new President, I want to welcome all of you newcomers and old-timers back for the 1993 year. My main thrust this year will be to work with the other officers at the task of making meetings interesting and informative for you. Your task is to help us by making suggestions about what you want to see and hear.

A big horological thanks to Harold Montano for working so well with people and for all of the behind the scenes effort that is seldom seen but so necessary to make things function well. Thanks Harold.

I have raised the idea of having one brief mini-workshop following each regular monthly meeting. This would cover such areas as dial work, glass cutting and fitting, how to bush better, matching stain when reworking existing finish, etc. The workshop would take place after adjournment and be aimed at those interested in that particular area. If this would be of interest to you, please let our new program chair-persons know. They are Marianne Duncan and Roy Holman.

Bob Boone

P. S. Dues for 1993 are due!

DIABLO VALLEY CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Executive Committee met at past President Harold Montano's house on the evening of January 11, 1993. All officers and all but one Director were present. Editor Tom Beales was in attendance.

Future Board meetings will be at Bob Boon's home in Concord.

John Stohr reported on our meeting location in Walnut Creek. Home Federal Bank is only accepting reservations for the first quarter of 1993 due to a potential sale of the bank. Hopefully our remaining meeting dates will be honored. Our April 11, 1993 scheduled meeting date is also Easter, and we may not be able to re-schedule the meeting room.

Only the February 14 Sunday program is firm at this time. John Koepke of Chapter 5 will make a presentation on "Crystal Palace Regulators".

Since the last Board meeting a thank you letter was sent to the Golden Gate Regional for their gift to the Chapter of \$500.

Discussion on photo's from Sunday meetings reveled that the National Bulletin still requires black and white photos.

The Board received a thank you letter from a National member living in Orinda for the Chapter's referral to a watch craftsman.

The Board agreed to stop mailing Chapter Bulletins to those who have not paid their 1993 dues by March.

Roy Clark and John Stohr will audit the Treasurer's books.

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Executive committee Meeting - continued

The new technical manual of exploded view clock movements has been received. Sandy will have it at the February meeting. The Chapter stayed within our 1992 budget. As income should remain about the same this budget will be retained. If we are forced to change meeting locations the budget may have to be revised.

Members are welcome at Board meetings. Contact an officer for meeting directions.

John Stohr, Secretary

CRYSTAL PALACE CLOCKS

Our February speaker will be John Koepke, on the Crystal Palace Clock. These are not to be confused with the Crystal Regulator. Designed by Henry Davis, these clocks appear to be a movement and dial from a Black Mantel clock, set under a glass dome.

Come to the meeting to learn more!

JANUARY EVENING MEETING

At the meeting we watched a slide presentation on Collectable Alarm Clocks.

Have You Seen This Before?

I took the picture shown below of the backside of the minute hand from my Henry C. Smith 30 hour weight driven wooden works clock.

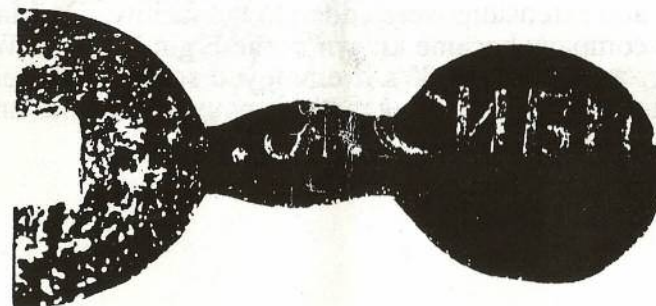
A similar shot appeared in the October 1992 NAWCC Bulletin in Snowden Taylor's Research section (fig. 2A & B; page 569), along with a request for information about the stampings.

I had noticed the letters before, but thought that they simply represented reuse of a metal plate. If all the letters can be identified they may tell a different story. Snowden Taylor has received one letter indicating that the letters are possibly from the Cyrillic alphabet.

Members are requested to check the backs of their wooden works hands for similar or other markings and tell me what they discover. I know Snowden will appreciate this help from our chapter. At the next Board Meeting we might discuss reporting either positive or negative findings to him as a Chapter #107 project.

Thanks for your interest and help,

John McKeen



MART

This is a free service provided to the members of the Chapter. Use this space to sell or look for clocks, parts, tools, services or any other horological items.

WANTED

Past winners of Chapter #107's "Most Ugly Clock Contest" Top Dollar (singular) paid. Contact John McKeen.

WANTED

Will pay CASH or trade used springs) for weights for American Ogee, or Half Column Clocks for either wood or brass movements. Contact John McKeen.

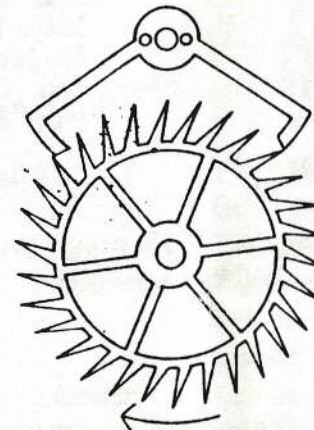
Elgin Watches

The National Watch Company was incorporated in Elgin Ill., in 1864, on the 30 acre site that was a gift from the town's residents. Instant success necessitated additional space, so new buildings and extensions were added to the facility. On May 12, 1874, the company became known as the Elgin National Watch Company, and by the 1880's it employed some 1,200 people. Elgin watches were becoming more famous by the hour and by 1953, the sales had exceeded 50 million.

MEMBERSHIP HELP NEEDED

Home Federal Bank where we meet in Walnut Creek has been operating under Federal observation. The Branch Manager has indicated the bank will soon have new ownership. The manager has indicated this is the reason for only booking the meeting room for the first quarter. We need some "LEVERAGE". The Chapter has a checking account and a CD with them. If we can show our members also have accounts it will help. If you have an account let John Stohr know - name and branch only.

Thanks



THE DEAD BEAT ESCAPEMENT

1993 MEETING AND PROGRAM CALENDAR

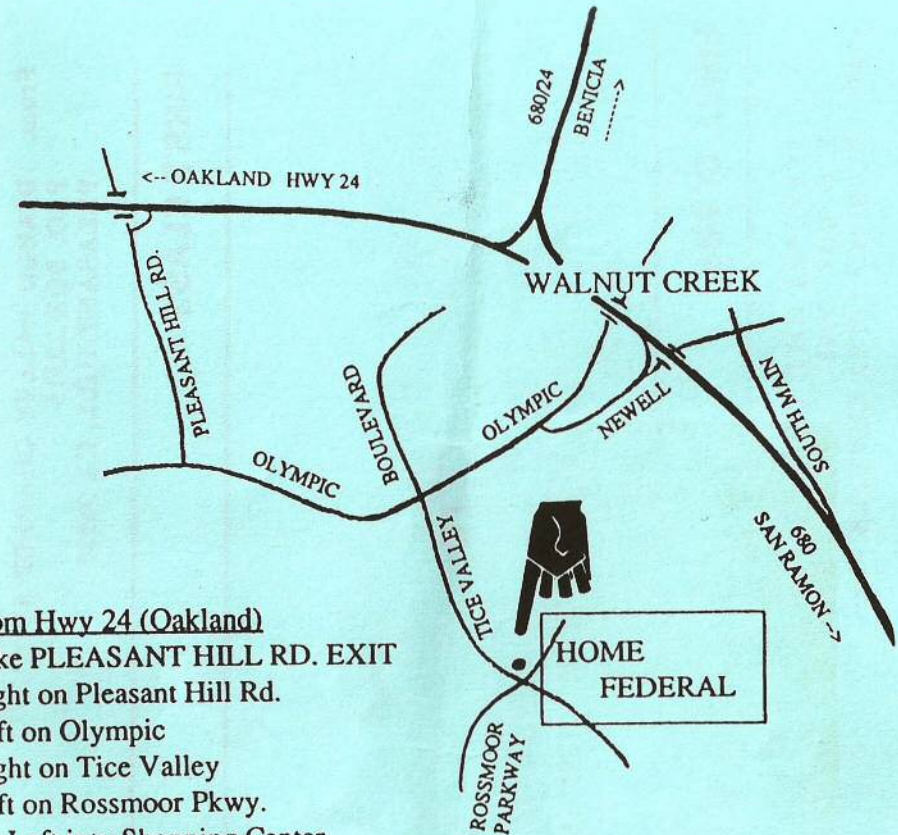
Listed below are the upcoming dates for Sunday noon Chapter meetings, Friday evening Chapter meetings and the Monday evening Executive Board meetings. Dates are based on Home Federal Bank's meeting facility being available for the year. Mark your calendars now!

| <u>Sunday Meetings</u> | <u>Friday Meetings</u> | <u>Executive Board Meetings</u> |
|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Feb. 14 | Mar. 5 | Mar. 8 |
| Apr. 11 | May. 7 | May. 10 |
| Jun. 13 | No July | No July |
| Aug. 8 | Sep. 10 | Sep. 13 |
| Oct. 10 | Nov. 5 | Nov. 8 |
| Dec. 12 | | |

Please be thinking of ideas for 1993 programs. Let Roy Holman or Marianne Duncan know of your ideas.

DUES TIME. Its time to pay your 1993 dues. Pay at meeting.

DIRECTIONS TO CHAPTER MEETINGS



From Hwy 24 (Oakland)
Take PLEASANT HILL RD. EXIT
Right on Pleasant Hill Rd.
Left on Olympic
Right on Tice Valley
Left on Rossmoor Pkwy.
1st Left into Shopping Center

From Hwy. 680 (San Ramon)
Take SOUTH MAIN EXIT
Left On Newell
Left on Olympic
Left on Tice Valley
Left on Rossmoor Pkwy.
1st Left into Shopping Center

From Hwy 680/24 (Benicia)
Go South on 680 in Walnut Ck.
Take NEWELL EXIT
Right on Newell
Left on Olympic
Left on Tice Valley
Left on Rossmoor Pkwy.
1st Left into Shopping Center

Home Federal is between American Bank & Trust and First Interstate Bank. Meeting Room is at rear.

Annual Chapter Membership \$15.00

Guests are most welcome, but due to our tax exempt status, only NAWCC members can participate in the MART.