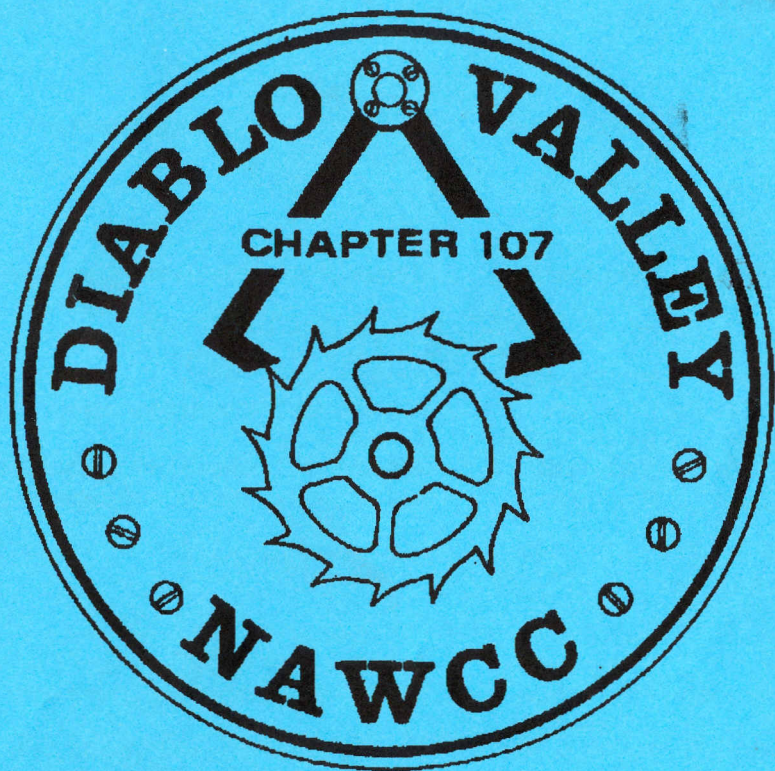


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December 9th, 2001 Meeting
Hungry Hunter Restaurant
3201 Mount Diablo Blvd., Lafayette
(Corner Pleasant Hill Road and
Highway 24 — Pleasant Hill South off ramp)



Restaurant opens at 11:30
Come early and visit

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

First, we must elect the Next Year's Officers and Directors. Every vote counts — bring the enclosed ballot or mail to PO Box 23315, Pleasant Hill CA 94523. It must be received prior to Friday, December 7th.

Second, we must eat — at the Hungry Hunter in Lafayette. Please send reservations to Walt Hubrig. He must have received your reservations **BEFORE December 4th.**

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



Wow! It is difficult to believe that 2001 is nearly over. It did not turn out quite like Arthur C. Clarke predicted, but it has been an odyssey. It has been my privilege to serve as the president of such a fine group. Overall I think it has been a good year for the chapter. Thanks to all who contributed, particularly to those of you who opened your homes for the Friday meetings and to our Sunday speakers. I particularly want to thank Bob Wahrer for his interesting presentation on quartz watches at the October meeting.

As I am writing this, the Regional has just ended. Unfortunately I was not able to attend, but I hear from a usually reliable source, John Stohr, that it was well attended. As usual our members chipped in to help. A big "thank you" to all who did.

The regional was not the only thing I missed this month. I was out of town for the Friday meeting at the Taylor home. I can not imagine it was anything short of a spectacular way to finish out the Friday meetings for the year. Thank you Jay and family. Please be thinking of ideas for next year's meetings.

My excuse for missing the meeting was that I was in Prague as part of a combination business/vacation trip that included Vienna and Budapest. Vienna is of course home to a major horological museum and the Prague astronomical clock is widely known. What impressed me was the number of tower clocks in general. Unfortunately I was not able to see any of the movements. In spite of that,

I managed to have a good time. (Sorry about the bad pun.)

I do have one piece of sad news to report. We were informed by Steve Grabill that his mother, Alda Grabill, passed away in October. She and Buck, both long-time members of Chapter 107, were inurned at the same time in Queen of Heaven Cemetery in Lafayette. The family requested that friends wishing to make contributions to their memory do so through the American Cancer Society. I'm sure you all join with me in expressing our deepest sympathy to the Grabill family.

On a positive note, our holiday lunch and auction is coming up. Be sure to send in your reservations to Walt. When I came back from Europe, I was all in a flutter worrying about getting the luncheon organized. Of course I Walt had already taken care of it. Thank you, Walt. Speaking of Walt, I don't want to embarrass him, but I want to put it in the record that I think the way he has combined his hobby and charity work by restoring clocks for the hospice stores is a wonderful example for us all. Returning to the luncheon, and paraphrasing George Putnam, "bring your spouse, clocks, and checkbook". Let's have an exciting auction. Jay won't be able to serve as auctioneer this year, so we will bring in a special substitute. That means I don't know who the auctioneer will be, but we will shanghi a volunteer. Yet another reason to be careful about raising your hand, it could be you.

Lastly I want to thank Bill Koppel for the great job he has done as editor of this bulletin for the past several years. As the new editor, I think I am about to find out just how hard he worked. I just hope I will be able to maintain the standard he set.

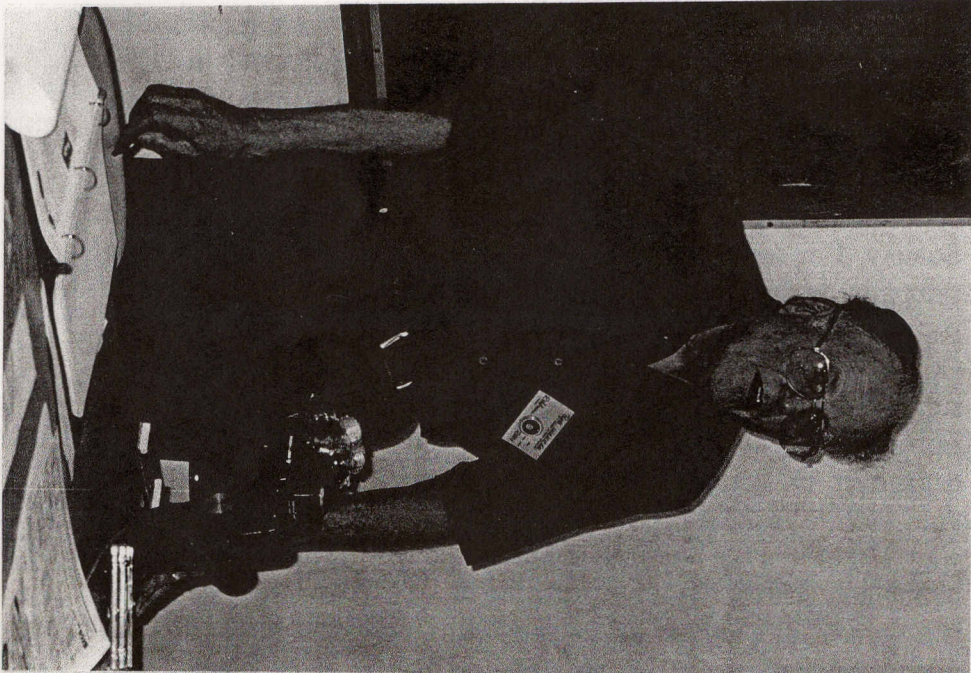
Happy holidays and best wishes for the new year.

Price Russ

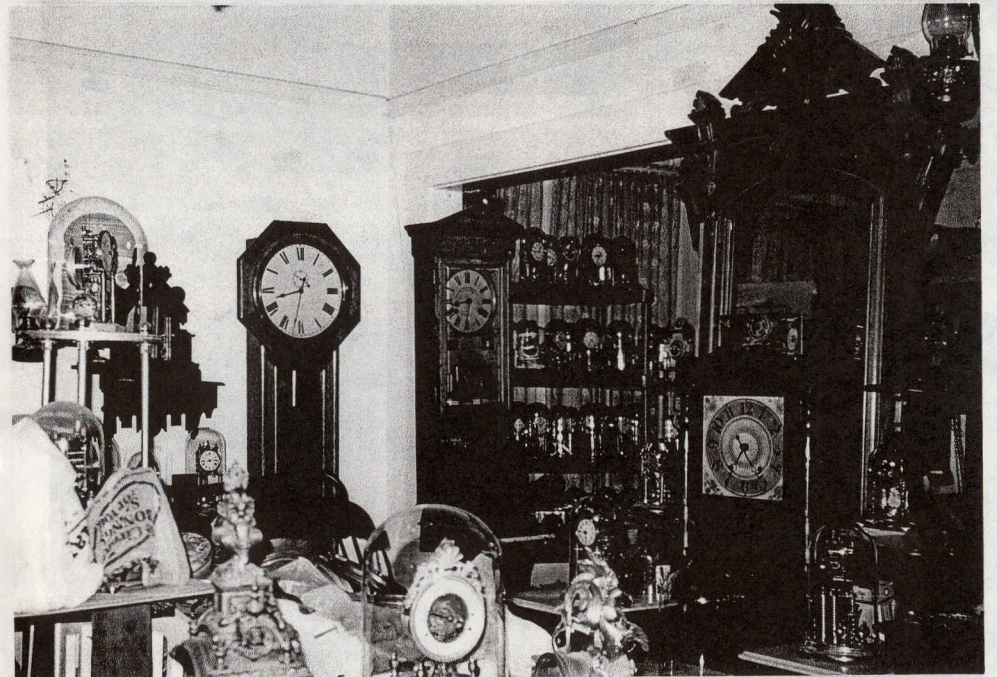
THIS MONTH'S QUOTES

He who waits for the right time waits forever. Latin proverb.

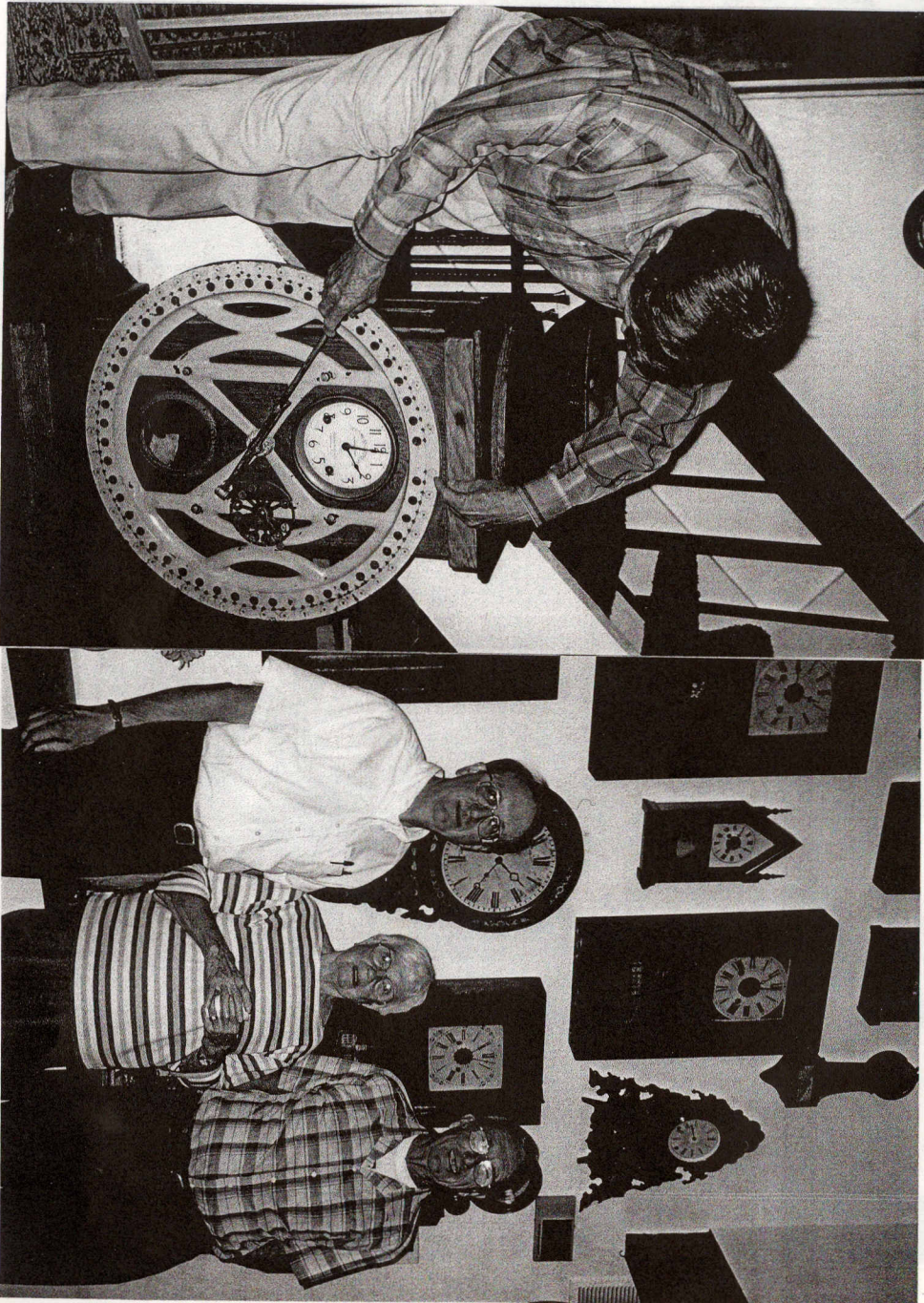
Last Sunday's Electric Clock presentation by Bob Wahrer (below). John Stohr looking through the microscope.



Friday Meeting at Jay Taylor's house. Jay standing next to one of his clocks.



Friday meeting at John North's house (John showing one of his clocks) Price Russ, Lois Naye, and Roy Holman at meeting.



DUES DUE

It's renewal time again- Membership is still only \$15.00 a year. You may pay at the next meeting or mail a check to our membership chairman:

Roy Holman
4300 Everett Ave.
Oakland, CA 94602

Fifteen dollars for the year includes your spouse. Please make out checks to Diablo Valley Ch. 107. Your badge can be picked up at the next meeting you attend.

FROM THE EDITOR

I want to thank all of you who helped with articles for the bulletin over the last four years. The articles made my job much easier. I also especially want to thank John Stohr and Roy Holman for picking up the bulletin at the printers and mailing them. Our new Editor, Price Russ, has mentioned a couple of his new ideas for the bulletin. I am looking forward to it and so should you.

—Bill Koppel

TOOL LIBRARY

The following tools are available for loan.....at NO COST!
call Walt Hubrig @ 925-685-0260

- *** 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.)

CHAPTER #107 MEETINGS*

*Meeting Days and Times***

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

This Year's Meeting Dates

SUNDAY & Board

February 11th
 April 8th
 June 10th
 August 12th
 October 14th
 December 9th (luncheon)

FRIDAY EVE

January - None
 March 2nd
 May 4th
 July - None
 September 7th
 November 2nd

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

**Dates may vary due to conflicts.

Other NAWCC Chapter Meetings in Northern California		
Chapter	Meeting Address	Meetings
De Anza #94	Odd Fellows Lodge 20589 Homestead Rd Cupertino, CA	1st Sunday even months (except April)
Monterey Bay #70	Live Oak Grange Hall 1900 17th Ave Santa Cruz, CA	3rd Sunday odd months
Sacramento #71	Sacramento Garden Center 3330 McKinley Blvd. Sacramento, CA	4th Sunday odd months
San Francisco #5	San Leandro Boys & Girls Club 401 Marina Blvd. San Leandro, CA	2nd Sunday odd months (except May)

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 (address 1963 Tice Valley Boulevard)

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.