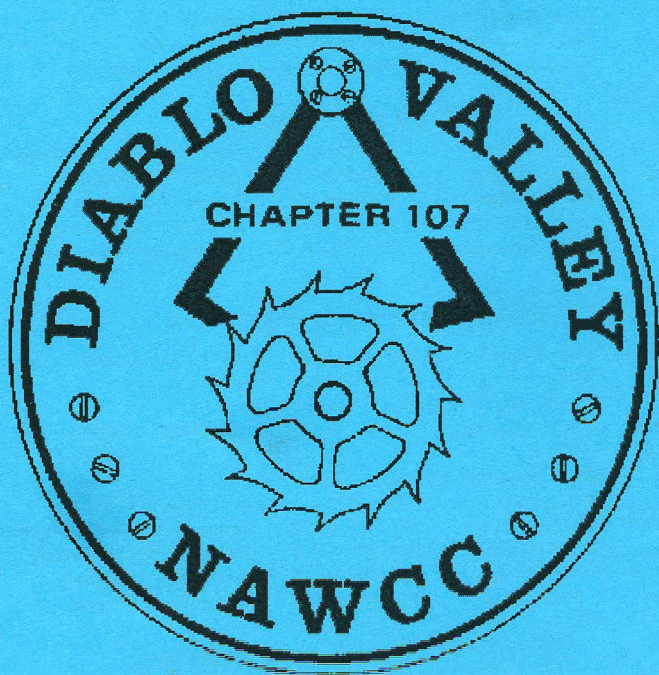


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Wanted: Articles for the *Bulletin*. Contact Tina Thomas (209) 481-3930. Or email ch107bulletin@comcast.net.

Meeting Notice

October 8, 2017

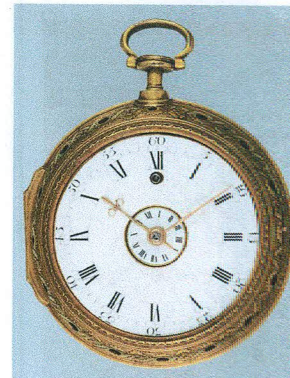
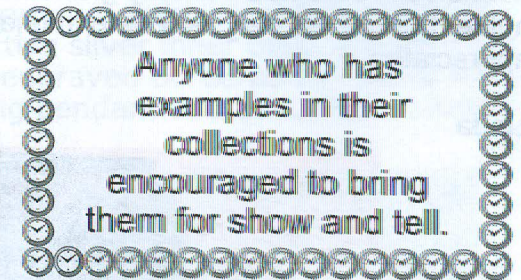
Mart 10:30 Meeting Noon

There will be a reception with light refreshments at the end of the presentation.

Grange Hall, 743 Diablo Road, Danville

Early English Verge Watches.
by Niles Kynett.

Niles was the author of three recent articles on Early English Verge Watches in the NAWCC Watch & Clock Bulletin.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thanks to all who came to our August picnic. The weatherman was kind to us with the temperatures staying in the 80's. Thanks especially to Chip Kumparak's mother Joan for use of her home for the picnic. What a great back yard, beautifully landscaped and umbrellas over the picnic tables. Thanks also to all who helped. Walt manned the Bar B Q, we all brought food and the chapter proved the meat, condiments and drinks. Chip was in charge of setup and take down.

The auction was a great success. We collected \$396. D H did a great job as the auctioneer with assistance from Nile. Price recorded the sold prices and Walt collected the money. Good team effort.

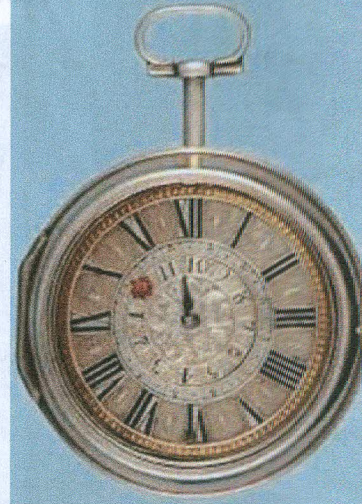
For those of you who could not attend the first watch video in August, please remember we have a great video library. For information about the library contact Price Russ.

On a personal note, I am looking for an ear to an E. Ingraham clock I inherited from my grandfather. I have the ear holder but not the ear. Any help in finding an ear is greatly appreciated.

Linda



Early English Verge Alarm Watch



A late 17th Century English single handed verge alarm in silver pair cases. Deep full plate fire gilt movement with five Egyptian pillars. Fusee and chain with worm and wheel barrel setup between the plates. Wound through the pierced and engraved winged cock with small mask, small pierced and engraved foot. Plain steel

balance, silver regulator disc. Short alarm train, pierced and engraved resting barrel, large blue steel stopwork wheel. Double headed hammer striking on a bell in the case. Silver champleve dial, the later gilt hand on the rotating centre indicating the time, Roman numerals, blue steel alarm time hand. Attractive silver inner case, a wide band pierced and engraved bordered by further engraving. Later long pendant and bow. Plain silver outer case.





In March of this year I visited Southern Iraq. Several days into this tour, we reached Karbala, famous for the battle that caused the split of Islam into Shia and Sunni.

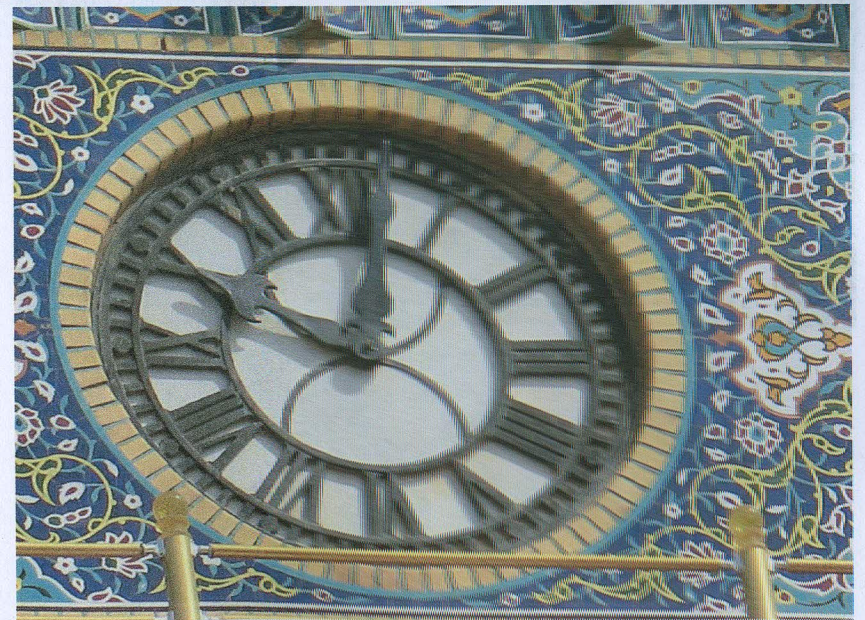
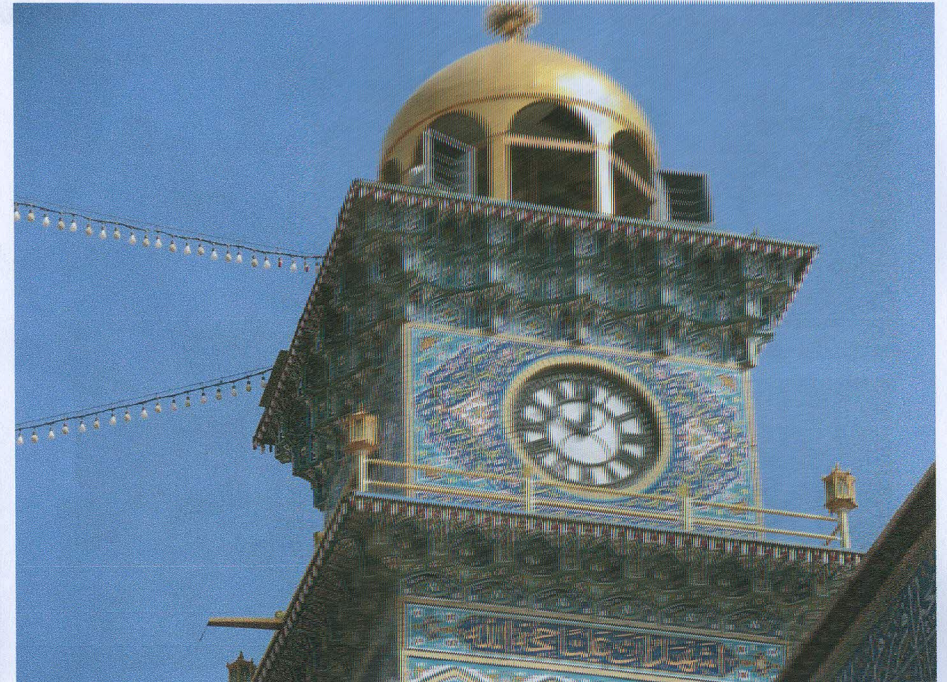
We were taken to the elaborate and massive shrine to Hussein Ibn Ali {who was martyred in Karbala over 1000 years ago} and his son. This shrine had a lovely clock on one of its minarets.

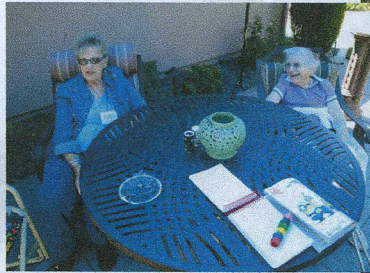
The clock is about 130 years old and fashioned after "Big Ben". It is hand made of wood, although I certainly could not see the workings itself as a female and as a tourist.

It has a pleasant quarterly chime and automatically winds itself, I did try to ask my guide to explain, but he did not know himself. Under the dial, on all four sides, written in Arabic is: "I confess Ali is a prophet". We were fortunate to even see this shrine let alone walk around and photograph areas within. I hope you enjoy the pictures.

Celeste Graham
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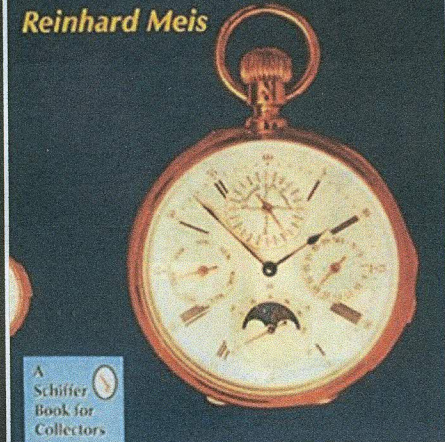
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Pocket Watches

From the Pendant Watch to the Tourbillon

Reinhard Meis



Pocket Watches:
From the Pendant Watch
to the Tourbillon
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Reinhard Meis (Author)

Historically and visually, this is the most exciting volume on pocket watches that every has been compiled. 915 photographs of old and newer styles show the development clearly, and the text explains the mechanisms and manufacturers. The chapters present detailed discussions of watch movements, escapements, striking movements, dials, and cases. Then, a chronological organization of examples shows pocket watches of international origins dating from about 1150 to the present models.



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The Watchmaker's Apprentice

The story of how Roger W. Smith came to be recognized as a watchmaker by George Daniels, the most famous watchmaker of the 20th century.

The first Chapter Movie Night featuring the "Watchmaker's Apprentice" was attended by 10 people. While the turnout was lower than hoped for and we had some problems with the DVD player, everyone seemed to have a good time. The group expressed interest in having more movie nights, probably twice a year. At the meeting let's discuss timing and location for this.

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CHAPTER #107 MEETINGS

Second Sunday of the Even Numbered Months

Mart: 10:30AM
 Chapter: 12:00PM
 Board: after the Chapter Meeting

Future Meeting Dates

December 10th, 2017

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

Only NAWCC members can participate (buy or sell) in our Mart. Be prepared to show your current 2017 membership card.

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

DIRECTIONS TO CHAPTER MEETINGS
(except August and December)
743 Diablo Road, Danville

Take Interstate 680 to the Diablo Road exit in Danville. Go east on Diablo Road for 0.6 mile. The Grange Hall will be on your right. Parking is available in the front and rear. Enter from the front; i.e., street side. Facing the building from the street, there is a ramp on the right side for handicap and cart access.

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