

The Howard Banta Alarm Clock Chapter



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President's Message

Due to this Pandemic for the past year, most of us have not been able to go out shopping for our treasured alarm clocks or actually anything else we collect. I have tried to do my shopping on eBay and it is not quite as exciting as going to a Clock Convention or even a local clock meeting. At least at meetings and conventions, there is something to say about the comradery of shopping and visiting old friends. I have noticed that there are many Conventions scheduled for this year and many for next year including my local Chapter having a Convention in August of 2022 in Sparks, NV. I have always enjoyed this convention mainly because of its close proximity and because it gives me a chance to see many of my friends that I have not seen for over a year. It also allows us to set up some of the best Alarm clock displays for all to admire.

In the near future if you do go to some of these meetings or Conventions, we encourage you to try and promote the Alarm Clock Chapter by either setting up a small display in the general display or even use part of your sales table to promote the Chapter. We can supply Newsletters for you to hand out. If this is not possible, I would suggest that you send me or Bob Linkenhoker pictures and a short story of what you have purchased or what alarm clocks in your collection you would like to share.

We need more articles for the Newsletter, and I am sure that many of you are just dying to share part of your collection or an alarm clock you had just purchased.

Either Bob or I would help you with a short article or even a long one. Just call us or email us with your ideas and hopefully we can continue to keep this Newsletter one of the best in the NAWCC....

Thank you for your support,
Vince Angell

This newsletter contains material from:

Dennis Sagvold

Vince Angell

Chris St Dennis

My thanks to all who send material.

Bob Linkenhoker

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EDITOR'S NOTE:

Remember that there will be no newsletters unless the members of Chapter 178 send me information and pictures. I am sure that you all enjoy reading and looking at the various pictures in this and the other newsletters produced for this Chapter. Just remember unless you help there:

WILL BE NO NEWSLETTER

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Advertising Alarm Clocks

As you know I have been collecting alarm clocks for many years. In those years I have found a number of Advertising alarm clocks that I would like to share with you.

If anyone has others, I would like to hear about them.

Here are 8 of my favorites. Vince



Montgomery Wards



Theo Frey - Jeweler
Alleghany, PA





**Became True Value Hardware
In 1962**



**Bixby & Company
Ca 1910**



Jeweler in Sacramento, CA



Early Lehman Brothers Financial

Hunting Scene Alarm Clock



TRADEMARK

This clock is made by the Union Clock Co. of Fertwangen Germany. The Patent is December 1, 1894. It is 5" tall including the brass top ring and legs.

Featured is a Pheasant hunting scene with an open window at 10:00 o'clock. It has a double animation: the man stands with his gun ready, when the pheasant shows it window he raises his gun. As the pheasant leaves the window the gun is lowered. This continues as the clock runs, repeating the animation.

Dennis Sagvold



From Dennis Sagvold



BLINKING EYE CLOCK

5 ½ INCHES Tall including Ring
Top and Legs are Brass
Mfg'd by Union Clock Co
Furtwagen Germany
2-Dec 1984



Company Logo

When clock is running her eyes and mouth move

My Rarest American Alarm Clock
With Help from Howard Banta!
By Vince Angell

I have had this alarm clock for over 35 years. Never had heard of it until I met Howard Banta. Howard was the proud owner of not just one of these but, if you knew Howard, he had two. Back in that day neither were for sale. He considered it to be one of the rarest, if not the rarest of all American alarm clocks.

I looked and looked everywhere that I could find and was never able to find one. No eBay at that time but only Clock Conventions.

Finally, after about 5 years of searching I found one at a National Convention. The only issue that it had was "THE PRICE". That being said, I bought it because Howard raved about it for a long time.

Howard was the ultimate collector, and I am happy that I was able to meet him and share alarm clock stories with him. He was overly excited when he heard that I purchased the Drum and he decided a couple of years later to finally sell one to another friend.

I have included several pictures of my Drum for all to see. Incredibly unique looking clock. I have tried to find it on Google and the Savage & Polite Price Guide, and it is not in it. I have also looked in all the Tran Du Ly Seth Thomas books and it is not there either.

One of the most interesting things about this alarm clock, other than looking just like a drum, is that when the alarm rings it is not the sound of a bell like a normal alarm clock. It sounds like a drum!

If you type this following link on your computer in the ADDRESS BAR at the top of the screen and press ENTER, you can hear what sounds just like a DRUM.

[**https://youtu.be/WL06AXRiAQ4**](https://youtu.be/WL06AXRiAQ4)

Enjoy the following pictures.
And thank you Howard!
We all miss you.



FOR SALE

The following clocks are offered for sale by Chris St Dennis.
If you are interested in any contact her at chrisstdennis@yahoo.com



ANSONIA BEE ALARM with THE ORIGINAL BOX

\$300 OBO



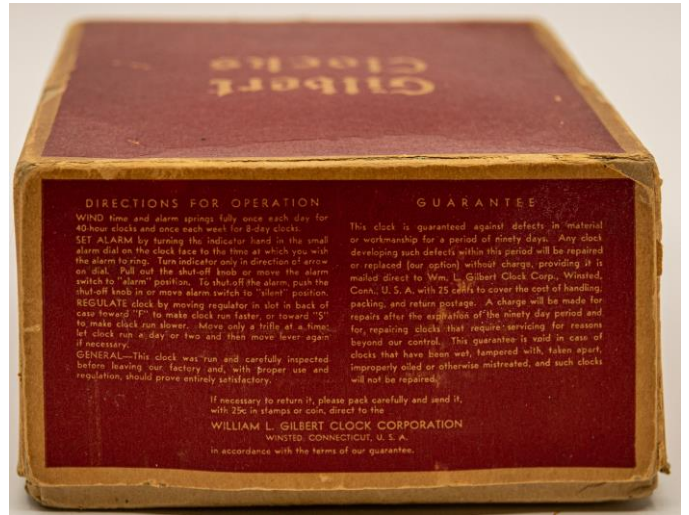
ANSONIA RIM WIND

\$ 55 OBO



SMALL BRASS ALARM (probably German)

\$45 OBO



GILBERT 8 DAY ALARM with ORIGINAL BOX

\$45 OBO