

Heart of America Chapter 36

Minutes of the April 1, 2012 Meeting

President Wayne Herrmann called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

No guests were present at this meeting, but long time member, Dwain Paugh, returned to our meeting..

Minutes of the February 2012 Meeting as published in the April Newsletter were approved as written unanimously.

Treasurer, Ruth Herrmann, reported that the Chapter February balance of \$5,763.35 had grown by \$511.00 from dues and 50/50 drawing, less \$1,163.20 for clock restoration prizes of \$100.00, \$1,000.00 donation to the National Association and 63.20 postage expenses, leaving a present balance at this April 1st meeting of \$5,111.15. The Regional Account in February had a balance of \$17,698.82, less Insurance expense of \$368.00, but this account was increased by \$3,570.00 registration for our April 20-21 Regional, a donation of \$200 from the Great Plains Chapter 58, and \$2.60 interest bringing the Regional Account balance to \$21,103.42.

The President reported he had received for the Chapter, a Thank You letter from The National Association, J Steven Humphrey, Executive Director and a special Thank You note from Ruth Overton, the National President.

Some members tried to get the Educational Service On Line, in February, but could not open the Service on the computer. It appears the program has some problems to work out, either on our end or otherwise.

In Don Allens absence, the Herrmanns reported that 104 registrations and 93 sales tables had been pre-registered. Don Allen had indicated everything was progressing well for the Regional. There still is a need for home-baked finger foods, people to set up tables on Thursday, April 19 (Dwain Paugh was chairman of this activity.) A security sheet was passed around for sign-up and Mark Carr would be presenting his program on the recovery of the stolen Family Tall-case clock.

Darrell Carr reporteded on an educational program to be presented in the near future on repairing movements with ball bearing bushings, to be presented by a Mr. Buttersworth of Des Moines.

It was reported that the National Association Board had voted to discontinue the ~~workshop~~ ^{seminar} as of April 1, 2012. Bill Dugan is still working on a clock repair program and stenciling workshop for our Chapter Members.

The 50/50 pot was won by Wayne Herrmann.

Show and Tell consisted of Bob Hensley reporting on a modern alarm clock that raises a globe and sparks a light, to be seen at the Regional and receiving his 40 year pin from National. Florent Wagner showed an unusual clock decorated with a castle-like painted case that only struck on the hour and half-hour, having aTegula movement which played the westminister chime on a music box (only using four notes of a 25 tooth comb, which seemes a waste) and had a band or cable connecting the movement in the bottom of the case to the hand motion works behind the face of the clock in the peak of the case. It played the four westrminister notes tune after striking the hour on a bell--reverse order for most westminister striking clocks. "There were no birds in the bellfrey" in this cuckoo type movement clock, said Wagner.

This meeting closed at 2:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Florent Wagner, Secretary