

**HEART OF AMERICA
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WATCH & CLOCK COLLECTORS
CHAPTER 36**

Member Meeting

Minutes

Sunday, August 13, 2017

Room AB, Lenexa Community Center, Lenexa, KS

Opening

The bi-monthly meeting of Heart of America Chapter 36 of the NAWCC was called to order at 2:00 PM on August 13, 2017 by Fr. Harry Firth, President.

Attendance

In attendance were 29 members and 3 guests (sign-in sheet attached). Given that more than ten members were in attendance, a quorum was established.

Fr. Firth welcomed all, especially new member Alan Monshausen and three guests: Alan's wife, Steve Pierce, and Sandy Price (wife of the speaker for today's program).

He offered thanks and remembrance for the life of long-time member Bill Chais.

Minutes

The minutes of the June member meeting, as published in the August/September 2017 Newsletter, were approved by the members.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report, published in the August/September newsletter, was approved by the members. Regional bank account balance is \$22,910.84; Chapter bank account balance is \$966.68. The balance of current funds allocated to Education is \$2,524.50 and are included within the checking accounts.

Presentation

Jim Price, author of *Charles Kirk's Cast Iron Back Plate Movement*, published in the NAWCC *Bulletin*, offered a PowerPoint presentation regarding Early American Spring Driven Clocks and had several on display during the presentation. The presentation was well received.

Chapter Business

Fr. Firth offered his thanks for the Executive Committee. The question regarding the proposed raising of the annual dues was presented. 34 votes were cast: 2 – no votes; 0 – abstentions; 10 to increase the dues to \$15 per year; 22 to increase the dues to \$20 per year (\$25 for two members in the same household). The annual dues are now raised to \$20 per year (\$25 for two members in the same household). Fr. Firth reported,

beginning this fall, we will have more educational projects and programs. St. Peter & All Saints Church will house weekend projects for us. Bill Dugan proposed 1-day classes in gilding and 1-day classes in veneering. Also, more in-depth projects beginning in November 2017. It was suggested to email Bill if anyone was interested in these classes and/or had any other ideas for possible classes.

Jim Williams presented a British double train, single weight-driven tall clock as a possible chapter project clock for entry in the 2018 National Contest. This project could be housed at the home of Mark Bradfield. A French tall clock was suggested as a chapter project and rejected as such. It was suggested a smaller clock might work best for a chapter project.

Fr. Firth mentioned the "For All Time" Endowment Campaign and hoped that each member of Chapter 36 would consider contributing to the campaign by July of 2018, in which the 75th anniversary of the NAWCC will be celebrated. The dates selected for our possible Regional are April 20 & 21, 2018 – we are considering whether or not to present a Regional next year. A strong leader for this project would need to step forward soon.

50/50 Drawing

The 50/50 drawing to benefit the chapter's education fund was won by Roberta Reupke. The chapter's education fund increased by \$21. Others won door prizes of mugs from the national convention and clock books.

Show and Tell

Greg Arey presented Seth Thomas clocks in pieces on which he is working. He also presented an early 20th century cigar advertising Seth Thomas Arch Clock he had found. Dan Ward has watch and clock benches and stools for sale. Wayne Andrews showed the fixed movement of a Brewster and Ingram's clock.

Meeting Announcement

The next chapter meeting is Sunday, October 8, 2017 at the Lenexa Community Center, Lenexa, KS.

Adjournment

It was moved, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.

/s/ Lisa A. Shepard

Lisa A. Shepard, Secretary

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