

Florida Gold Coast Chapter No. 60

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WATCH AND CLOCK COLLECTORS, INC.

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| MEETING NOTICE AND NEWSLETTER |
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The first MEETING AND MART of Chapter 60 in 1997 will be on January 19th. in the Civic Center in Miramar. Setup will be from 9:30 AM to 9:50 AM when we will have a short business meeting. The Mart will open about 10:15. Please note that table covers are required. For those who do not have them, some will be available at \$2.00 each. Mart tables will be available to Chapter members for \$2.00. Members of National only will be assessed \$4.00. Non-member guests of active members are always welcome. Bring a friend and introduce them to the NAWCC.

!!!DOOR PRIZES!!! We are again giving out Door Prizes in the form of Gift Certificates. You only have to be there for the drawing after the program to receive prizes.

*** PROGRAM *** President Joe Cohen has been working on a presentation on Advertising Clocks, for the NAWCC Regionals. He has collected a large number of slides including many of clocks that were popular before 1900. This will be a first time event, and if you have an advertising clock bring it to the meeting so that he can photograph it. He will research and document it.

CHAPTER DIRECTORY How do you feel about a Chapter 60 Directory to be available to members, listing the names, addresses and telephone numbers of all the active members of the chapter? Please advise Jack Seeley who will be making up a little booklet similar to those of other Chapters.

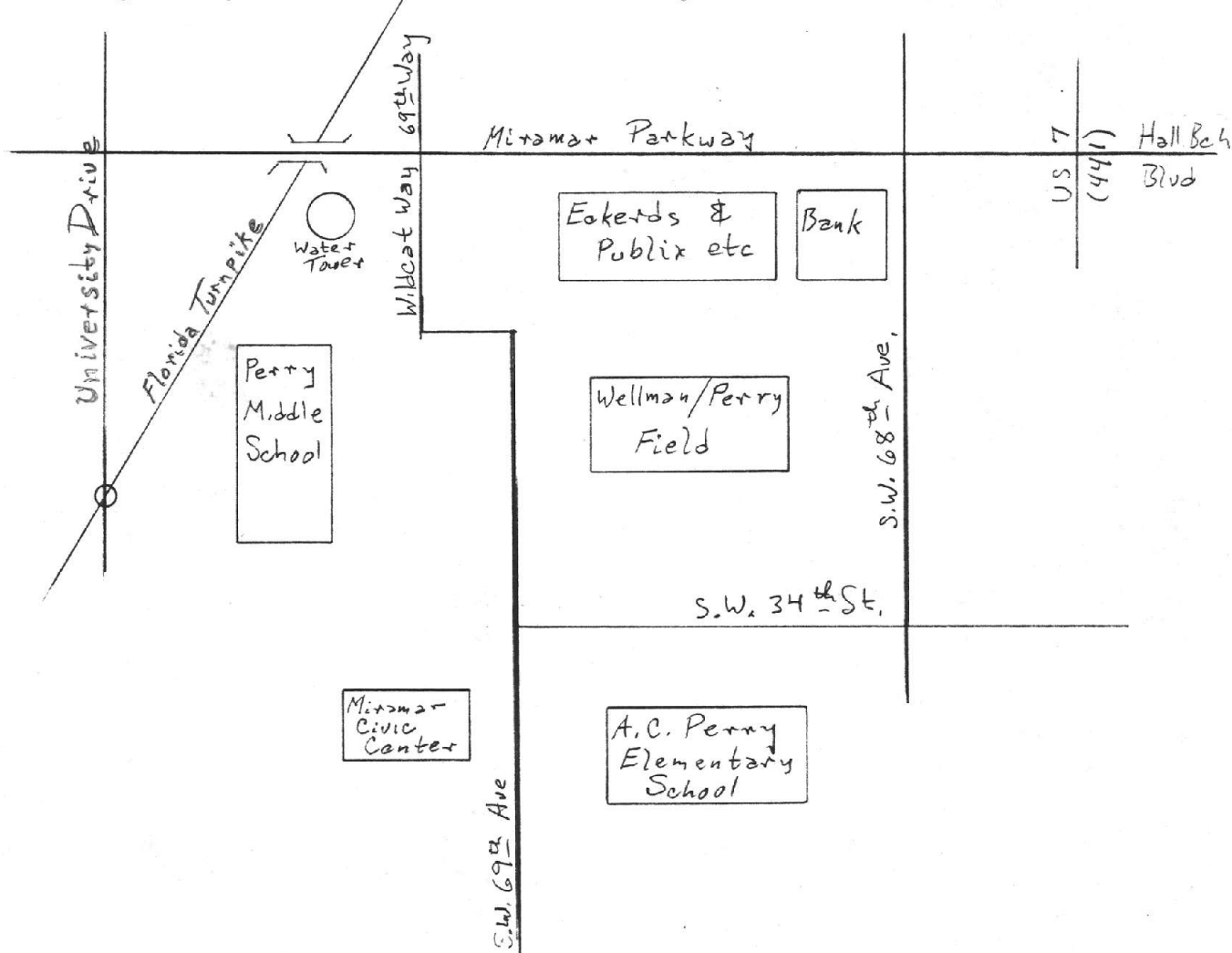
At our DECEMBER MEETING the installation of officers for 1997 took place. Joe Cohen (954)561-2234 accepted the presidential gavel from outgoing President Larry Fanshaw. Charles (Chuck) Banks (954)523-8426 continues as First VP, Gary Colegrove (954)572-0617 as Second VP, and Bob Spinney (954)926-0222 as our Treasurer. New members to the Committee are Gerald Lamb (954)963-0504 as Recording Secretary, Jack Seeley (954)963-7456 as Corresponding Secretary, and Steve Bernat (954)472-3331 as Sargent-at-Arms. Since then, Anne Banks (954)523-8426 has been appointed to the Board as a Director, also Peter Kline as Director.

BADGES The Board has suggested that colored badges be issued to people coming to the Meeting/Mart to designate their status by color. They will designate National Member only, Chapter 60 member or Guest of a member.

Bob Leavitt who is a candidate for National Director will address our group during the program. PLEASE PLEASE be sure to VOTE, sadly our area has the lowest percentage of members that do vote, and practically no representation at National. Look for your ballot in the February Mart, and MAIL IT!

***** DUES *** DUES ***** Our Treasurer, Bob Spinney has asked me to remind everyone that it is time to pay your dues! There are many members who have not done so. Please give your check to him next Sunday and avoid the extra upcoming two dollar late fee!

Best Regards from Jack and Trudie Seeley.



Our first meeting of 1997 was held at the Miramar Civic Center with 79 Members and six guests. The Mart opened at 9:30 AM and was very well attended. The business meeting was opened at 11:15 by President Joe Cohen. Along with routine business, trading activities in the parking lot was discussed and suggestions were made to minimize this illegal practice.

Member Bob Leavitt (also a Past President of Ch. 60) spoke briefly on his behalf as a candidate for National Committeeman and urged everyone to vote when the ballots are received.

For a Show and Tell item, Adolph Greenberg presented an Ansonia Swinger that he aquired very inexpensively because it was broken and "could not be fixed". A machinist friend did in fact repair the broken part for him and the clock is again working beautifully.

The program for this meeting was the first presentation of the History of Advertising Clocks by Pres. Joe Cohen. These clocks originated much earlier than one would think, and some are truly works of Art. Unfortunately because of their rarity, many copies or reproductions have been made, so the serious collector must be well read. Joe is going to present his program at Regionals in the future. He had a number of slides to illustrate his very informative lecture.

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