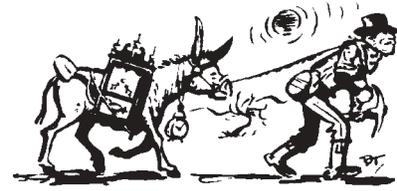


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National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors

*Meeting minutes, Feb 4, 2005*

## One L, Three Ps

President Charles Register opened the February meeting with the good news that Bud Saiben is home and getting stronger by the day. A special thank you to Pat and Bud Saiben and their helpers for regularly mailing the Tic Talk Times. Charles also mentioned that the Saibens want to host the annual July pot luck at their house. They know how to throw a party! And seeing Bud's collection is a treat.

Charles introduced two visitors, Ken Lynn and Alan Lynn.

The crafts competition entry form is in the December issue of the Mart. The contest is held at the National Convention in June.

Ray Brown gave a library report. (See article on page 2.)

The Goodtime Supermart is May 7. (A flyer will be included with next month's Tic Talk Times -ed.)

There has been a change in board meeting locations, it will not be held at Julie Stevens' house. It will be at Ray Brown's house.

The program was a video tape presentation, "Tradition is Our Future", the story of Patek Philippe. After the video, Charles Register added that Patek Philippe's are usually triple signed, the name on the case, dial and movement.

Show and Tell began with the letters I or J. Gene Osten brought a 1900 Illinois Bunn Special pocket watch with 24 jewels. Illinois only

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*This month*

## Fabulous Collection

Most of us are collectors, some more than others. One of our members has made a video of his excellent collection accumulated over many years and will narrate as the tape is shown. Swingers, automated clocks, long case, and other beautiful and unique clocks are shown. Come to the meeting and find out just whose collection we're talking about.

For this month's Beginner's Corner, our Librarian Ray Brown will show us how to use the Bulletin search feature on the NAWCC website. All of the articles that have been printed in the Bulletin and its supplements are listed. They can be a great resource when looking for historical or repair information.

See you on Friday.

*Mark Your Calendar*

## Extended Mart at our June Meeting!

The two-hour pre-meeting marts have proven to be popular attractions for Chapter 69. We see more of everything at these marts: more clocks, more watches, more buyers, and more sellers.

The board has decided to do these longer marts two or three times each year. The next one will be at our June 3, 2005 meeting. The doors will open at 6:00 P.M. that night. Tell your friends not to miss this one!

## Who's Doing What

We would like to thank two members for stepping forward to help make this chapter run. One is a long-time member who has done more than his share for our chapter, and one is a brand-new member who saw an opportunity to make a difference and volunteered to join our board. Bob Linkenhoker is our new vice-president, in charge of the Program Committee. Ray Brown is our new librarian. Thank you, gentlemen!

### 2005 Officers and Directors

- Charles Register, President
- Bob Linkenhoker, Vice President and Program Chair
- Jana Smith, Secretary
- Julie Stevens, Treasurer
- Doug Adams, Publicity and Exhibitions Chair
- Dean Armentrout, Membership Chair
- Ray Brown, Library and Education Chair
- Annette DiMino, Hospitality and Door Prize Chair
- Cora Lee Linkenhoker, Ways & Means Chair
- Dave Weisbart, Publications Chair
- Dennis Woodson, Mart Chair

Note that committee assignments reflect the change in the By-Laws approved last April.



## Meeting Minutes *(from page 1)*



made a handful of 25 jeweled movements, so the 24 jeweled is their high quality movement.

Ed Lackey brought an Isochronic Timer from the GE X-Ray Division in Chicago (below). This division moved to Milwaukee in 1950, so he can date this timer prior to 1950. It has a lever escapement.

Roy Irick showed two clocks. An Internet Interest Atmos and a Jaeger LeCoultre. The Internet Interest clock was a photograph and Ray said it has a moon dial, thermometer and a hydrometer. They were made in limited production.



The Jaeger LeCoultre is called "The Stud" by Elaine and was made between 1970-1971 (bottom). The book "Living on Air" by Jaeger LeCoultre dates the clock between 1974 and 1975. The case opens like a DeLorean, but, you have to hold the door up. The pendulum locks on the bottom.

Phyllis Adams brought an Itsy Bitsy Clock she purchased at the LA Regional.

Ray Brown brought a Heche he bought at the Regional. It has a floating balance, is weight driven, and the 1.5 volt battery rewinds it every 50 seconds.

Doug Adams brought a Junghans electric clock, "Ato" from 1957. It is complete with an instruction manual and Red Tag Instruction sheet. The pendulum drives the hands.

Charles Register thanked Dean Armentrout for the refreshments.



The door prizes were won by George Clifford, Norm Punim, Pat Becker, Charles Register and Elaine Irick.

*Submitted by  
Julie Stevens*

## Library Notes

Your chapter offers a comprehensive free lending horological library plus a combination of free and fee based video offerings obtained through gifts and purchases over the years. We also have a complete set of the NAWCC Bulletins, recently brought up to date by the generous donation from Murray Lefkowitz's estate.

As you new librarian to 2005, I have set a goal to improve access of the library for our members. Of course, the library is only physically open once a month. With the mart, program and other activities, finding time to look through the library offering is limited. However we are adding ways to improve access the volumes.

First, we will be providing a complete on-line listing of the books and videos collection. You will soon be able to find these at [www.nawcc69.org](http://www.nawcc69.org) under what else, "Our Library"! We will list all volumes available along with a list of videos and their fee or no-fee status.

Second, due to the size of the collection, we cannot have the entire set of NAWCC Bulletins available at our meetings. Now you can send a request via email no later than the Wednesday prior to the meeting to either [webmaster@nawcc69.org](mailto:webmaster@nawcc69.org) or [raybrown@att.net](mailto:raybrown@att.net) for specific Bulletins. Finding the right Bulletins on-line is easy using the National site at [www.nawcc.org](http://www.nawcc.org) under "Bulletin Index Search". We will provide additional information on using the Bulletin search at our next meeting.

Third, we are always looking for contributions to the library. For those donating a book or usable library item, we will provide a complimentary video rental! Also, you can visit your book or check it out if you need to use it again.

Finally, we appreciate any suggestions for improvements or for new volumes or videos to add to the library. Contact me at the chapter meetings or send me an email at [raybrown@att.net](mailto:raybrown@att.net).

*- Ray Brown, Library Chairman*

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## NAWCC Bulletin Back Issues

Longtime member Bud Saiben has back issues of the Bulletin for any member who would like them. Contact Bud at (714) 544-6985.

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## Tic Talk Times On Line

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*In the British Museum*

## Carillon clock with automata, by Isaac Habrecht

Strasbourg, France, AD 1589

Weight-driven gilded-brass clock with religious automata



This clock is a magnificent example of the combined skills of the clockmaker and the engraver, bringing together an expertly made clock with an engraved case of the finest quality. It is designed in imitation of the great clock in Strasbourg Cathedral. The Cathedral clock was finished in 1574 by Isaac Habrecht (1544–1620), to the design of Conrad Dasypodius, mathematician at Strasbourg University.

As well as dials to show the time, the clock strikes the hours and the quarters. The astronomical dial shows the positions of the sun and moon in the zodiac. A calendar provides the date and the Dominical Letter and Saints' Days. A revolving carousel shows the days of the week,

each represented by its ruling planet personified and riding in a chariot. In addition to this, automata (figures that appear to move under their own power) operate in time to the striking and the music in an impressive blend of the religious and the secular. The music played at each hour on the carillon is a setting of the Lord's Prayer written by Martin Luther in 1545.

The clock is housed in a fine gilt metal case engraved on one side with figures of Faith, Hope and Charity, on



the other with Wisdom, Fortitude and Justice, while the back of the clock shows the Three Fates, all executed in the manner of the Swiss artist Tobias Stimmer (1539-84).

The mechanism of the clock is as impressive as the exterior decoration. Four weight-driven gear trains serve to indicate the time, to strike the hours and the quarters and to operate the musical carillon. At some time during the eighteenth century, the original balance control for the verge escapement was replaced with a pendulum to modernise the clock and improve its timekeeping.

*Source: British Museum Website*

*<http://www.thebritishmuseum.ac.uk>*

**DATED MEETING NOTICE  
PLEASE DO NOT DELAY**

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**Our Next Meeting: March 4, 2005**

*Program:*

**VIDEO PRESENTATION**  
*with live narration*  
**"A Beautiful Collection"**  
(See page 1 for details)

*Time:* 7:00 – Doors open  
8:00 – General Meeting

*Admission:* \$4.00 – General  
\$6.00 – Couples

*Location:* Acacia Grove Masonic Lodge  
11270 Acacia Parkway  
(in the Civic Center)  
Garden Grove, CA

*Beginner's Corner Mini-Seminar:*

"Using the on-line Bulletin index" by *Ray Brown*

*Show & Tell:*

Horological items beginning with the letter "K" & "L"

*Board Meeting:*

**Wednesday, March 9, at 7:30 P.M.** at the home of:  
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Fullerton, CA 92833  
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