

# Tic Talk Times



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Newsletter of Orange County Chapter 69 of the  
National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors

## General Meeting May 7, 2010

### Pendulum Madness!

The meeting was called to order at 8pm by President Doug Adams.

We welcome our newest member, Norton Wiederrich, who joined tonight.

Upcoming marts:

- Our Goodtyme mart will be held on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- The National will be held in June in York, PA.
- Chapter 75 will have their mart on July 25.

New Business: We need a Vice President: we have no one to set up programs. One possibility is that the Board will make up a list and give it to the person who takes this position. We have many possibilities for program subjects already: Atmos clocks; Steve Rini on Welch clocks; Art Deco clocks; Ray Brown on Electric Clocks. The list can be given to the program chairperson who can then make the calls and provide the program information for the newsletter. Please, members, we need your help on this.

## Dues are due

### June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Our program tonight was Part II of the Bob Tascione video on Clock Repair. Due to the length of the film there was no Beginner's Corner.

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## This Month

### The Rite of Spring!

Well spring, new-year's day, your birthday whatever day of the year you choose works for winding your 400-day clock.

Our June program features Larry Squires who will give us a comprehensive presentation on these interesting but often misunderstood clocks.



*Ray Brown's Kundo 400-day Clock, a Xmas gift from 1955*

Larry will start with a brief history of the clocks, where they started, which companies were key to the development and how they became prevalent in the mid 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Larry will add to the history with a discussion of the various styles and types of clocks that fall into the category of 400-day clocks and

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describe why some of these design changes adopted.

Finally, Larry will "tear down" a typical clock and show the key issues in the repair and restoration of the movement including getting these sometimes fussy clocks "in beat."

Larry's presentation will answer many of your questions about these interesting clocks and may make you see them in a new and different light.

Be sure to attend this informative presentation and bring your questions for Larry. Also, don't forget to bring a 400-day clock for show and tell this month, especially one that may have some unusual features or story associated with it.



## GOODTYME MART

This year's Supermart was sold out again with a waiting list. We added tables on the stage to accommodate our overflow of sellers.

Of course we had a huge selection of watches and clocks and other horological tools, books, and miscellany.

As always, the mart also provided an opportunity to meet with friends and share stories, horological or not.

An added benefit to the chapter is the profit made which should keep us in the black for 2010.

## Meeting Minutes *(from page 1)*

Thanks to Larry Squires for providing tonight's refreshments.

Some highlights from tonight's video: – If a pendulum has been altered or is not the original, the weight might have to be changed.

To let down the main spring, use a let down key and put wire around the spring to keep it contained. You can also use a ring to contain the spring. Order a new spring if the old one doesn't expand when let out. Be sure to wear gloves.

Show and Tell – Letter "J".

Doug Adams wanted to bring in the "Junghans" (young'uns) but he wasn't allowed to bring in the kids.

Dave Weisbart brought in a Chauncey Jerome – the company was bought out in 1855 by New Haven. In England the name used was Jerome & Co. This clock has 3 weights, an alarm mechanism and painted glass.



Larry Squires brought in a J. Kaiser, made from 1952-1953 with a "Universe Globe" pendulum. It is a 400-Day clock, and also has a moon phase in which the moon turns. There was a copyright issue over the use of the name "Universe".

Tony Baker brought in a JAPY French movement "pottery clock".



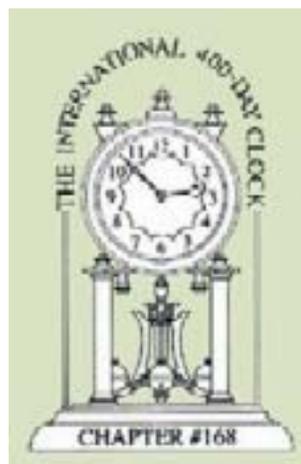
Doug Adams brought a deluxe version of a Jacob toolbox set, with jewellery press and all the bells and whistles, made by SEITZ.



The raffle prizes were won by:  
Phyllis Adams, Paul Wilson, Derald Kleim, and Doug Adams.



## THE INTERNATIONAL 400-DAY CLOCK CHAPTER #168



Purpose: To promote an interest in all forms of Torsion Pendulum Clocks, including collecting, restoration, and preservation; and to encourage research and study to develop and preserve all historical information and knowledge of these unique clocks for the benefit of our members and the general public.

The International 400-Day Clock Chapter #168 was founded in 1995 to provide a forum for persons to meet and communicate with all who may have an interest in any kind of Torsion Pendulum Clocks. Whether it may be early Crane or Terry, 400-Day, Atmos, Tiffany Never-Wind, French Statue or Lighthouse, or any other torsion pendulum clock this is "the" place to find information about these unique timepieces.

# Dues are Due!

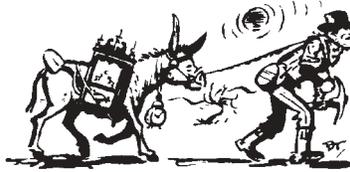
It's time to renew your membership to Chapter 69. Your support of our activities is very important to the chapter's well-being, so we're counting on every member to send in his or her renewal.

Please fill out the form on the right and bring it with you to the meeting. If you can't attend this month's meeting, please mail your dues today!

## Don't Like to Stand in Line?

Get the annual pass option! This permanent badge gets you into every regular meeting without having to pay at the door. This pass gets you into 12 meetings for the price of 11.

For an individual pass, include \$44 plus your dues (\$54 total). For a couples pass, include \$66 plus dues for two (\$86 total).



## Orange County Chapter 69 Membership Application

New Member  Renewal  
(check one)

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Street Address / P.O. Box #

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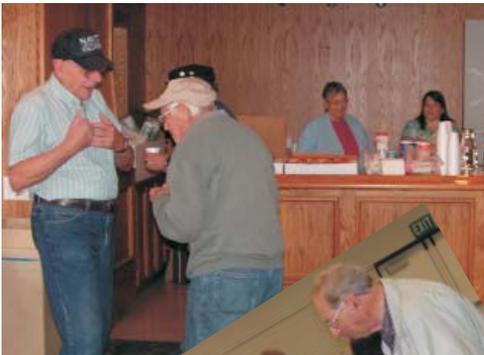
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- Individual annual pass (\$44)
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Complete this form and mail to:  
Cora Lee Linkenhoker  
7186 Calico Cir.  
Corona, CA 92881



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**Our Next Meeting: Friday, June 4, 2010**

*Program:*

**LIVE PRESENTATION  
"Anniversary Clocks  
by Larry Squires"**

*Beginner's Corner Mini-Seminar:*

Repair of 400-day clocks as part of the main program.

*Show & Tell:*

Horological items beginning with the letter "K" or  
a 400-day clock

*Board Meeting:*

To be announced

*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

