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National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors

*Meeting Minutes, August 3, 2012*

## HISTORY OF THE LATHE

The meeting was called to order by President Sally DiMino and 8 p.m. and she thanked Paul Martyn for the refreshments. We had one guest, Charlie McCormack.

Upcoming events;

Vista Chapter Mart August 25

Our own Ch. 69 Goodtime Mart  
September 1

San Diego (Del Mar) November 15  
-17

Ch. 116 Mart Oct. 22

Health and Welfare – Cards for Leon Coufel were handed out to be signed. Please send him healing thoughts since he is in the hospital.

Last month's minutes were moved to be approved by Dave Weisbart and seconded by Ed Athey.

Old Business – Mini Mart will be on Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> and sign up sheets were handed out. Dean Armentrout went to Nairobi and will also be an evaluator on Antiques Roadshow in Corpus Christi.

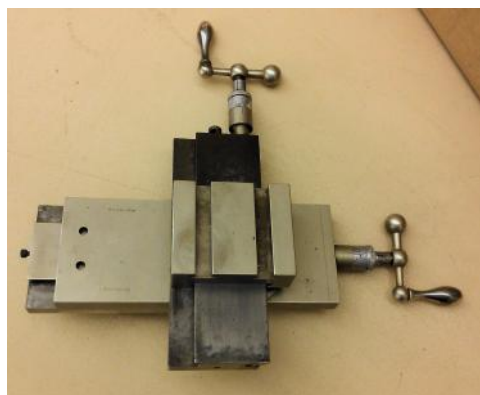
New Business – The next board meeting will be held Monday, Sep-

tember 10 at Paul Martyn's house in Whittier.



*Paul Martyn and his handmade depthing tool*

Extended Beginner's Corner on Parts and Tools: Paul Martyn showed a handmade depthing tool used to make sure wheels engage properly. Doug Adams says it is missing rods but he put the spring back into place.



*Dave Weisbart's cautionary cross-slide*

Dave has a cautionary tale—he

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*This Month*

## IT'S GOING TO GET UGLY

This September, bring in your strangest, ugliest, most bizarre clocks and watches to share.



*A toilet seat clock... really?*

At the upcoming meeting, we will look in awe and amazement as each of us show off treasures that were brought in. You can also bring in beauties you picked up at our recent Goodtime Supermart.

## TIME TRIVIA

*In 1908, the Westclox Clock Company was issued a patent for the Big Ben alarm clock. The outstanding feature on this clock is the bell-back, which completely envelops the inner case back and is an integral part of the case. The bell-back provides a loud alarm.*

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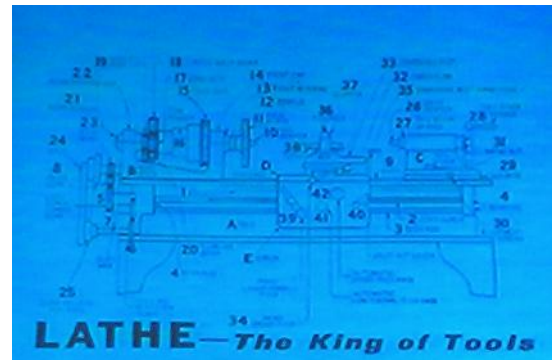
bought a cross slide at the National and was assuredd it would fit his lathe, however his lathe has a 50 mm center height and this one is only 47 mm. It turns out it is made for Elect model which has a 60 mm center height.



Ellie Clark with her Carl Barkley clocks

Ellie Clark showed us a table centerpiece made by Carl Barkley from Michigan. Carl designed clocks and made a centerpiece for each National. Ellie has collected 11. Phyllis Adams showed an e-mail from NAWCC on Clyde Barrow's watch (of Bonnie and Clyde) which is going up for auction.

The video tonight was a history of the Watchmakers Lathe. A watchmaker's lathe turns *the pieces, not the tool*. The potter's wheel, which dates from the 3rd century, is also a type of lathe. In the 13<sup>th</sup> Century, a pole was attached to the ceiling and feet



were used to create a to and fro motion. In the 15<sup>th</sup> century a crank and wheel created continuous motion. Leonardo DaVinci had an idea of a screw-cutting lathe in the 15<sup>th</sup> century. A clockmakers lathe was called a "clockmaker's turn." In 1741 the fiddle bow lathe produced no wobble when turning. There were special purpose lathes. In 1850 James M. Bottum leased our removable headstock. The Mosely lathe spindle with a "chuck" came from 1857. The patent for the chuck was issued earlier to Daniels. Moseley has a lathe in 1859. Webster Whitcomb made collets that were NOT interchangeable – every manufacturer makes them differently. He used a Geneva lathe for repivoting. In 1950 the Boley F1 with a push-bottom, was made solely for watchmakers and was called The King of tools.

Raffle was won by Ellie Clark, Paul Wilson and Dave Weisbart.

## UPCOMING MARTS

### SEPTEMBER 2012

[2012 Mid-America Regional](#)

When: Sep 28 - 29

Where: Kruse Hall, Auburn, IN, US

### OCTOBER 2012

[2012 MKOA Regional](#)

When: Oct 19 - 20

Where: Buddy LaFortune Community Center, Tulsa, OK, US

[2012 Mid-Eastern Regional](#)

When: Oct 25 - 27

Where: York Expo Center, York, PA, US

### NOVEMBER 2012

[2012 Great Southern Regional](#)

When: Nov 10 - 11

Where: Best Western Landmark Hotel, Metairie, LA, US

[2012 Southwest CA Regional](#)

When: Nov 15 - 17

Where: Del Mar Fairgrounds in Wyland Center, Del Mar, CA, US



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Full details for all upcoming marts: <http://community.nawcc.org/events/upcomingevents/>

**DATED MEETING NOTICE  
PLEASE DO NOT DELAY**

*The National*  
**ASSOCIATION OF  
WATCH & CLOCK  
Collectors, Inc.**  
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**OUR NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2012**



*Program:*

**SHOW ME THE  
UGLY**

*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:*

The Jeweler's Saw

*Show & Tell:*

Horological items beginning with the letter "O" or anything found at the Goodtyme Supermart

*Board Meeting:*

Monday, September 10th, 7:30pm at the home of Paul Martyn  
9339 Angosto Dr.,  
Whittier, CA 90603  
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