

Tic Talk Times



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Meeting Minutes, October 3, 2014

The Joy of Alarm Clock Collecting

WHY DO WE COLLECT?

The meeting was called to order by Secretary Phyllis Adams. Thanks to Cora Lee for providing refreshments.

Upcoming Events are:

- ◆ Southwest Regional at Del Mar, 10/23 TO 10/25
- ◆ Palomar Chapter 136 Mart
- ◆ 2014 NAWCC Ward Francillon Time Symposium at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, 10/16 TO 10/18

We welcomed Pat Hyland as a guest. We are pleased to announce a new member who joined tonight whose name is Jennifer Culp. Welcome to Chapter 69!

Beginner's Corner: Presented by Dave Weisbart. He presented a power point presentation of veneer repair of a Vienna Regulator that had fallen off the wall. All of the repairs were done by Mark Bousman. The clock had a very warped back with "book-matched" veneer. The back of the clock dries out first. He tried to straighten the wooden back and used wood from a safe to at-

tach to the old veneer. He reattached it with hide glue. Great job, Mark.

Program: "The Joy of Alarm Clock Collecting" by Bob Linkenhoker.

Bob asked "Why do we collect?" and concluded it was because our ancestors collected food.



The first reason we collect is because "I have to have it!". Bob showed us a "LaSalita" which he had to have. There are three clocks with the same name over the year.

Second – It took Bob 15 years to find a movement for that clock.

Third – It's Just Plain Pretty!

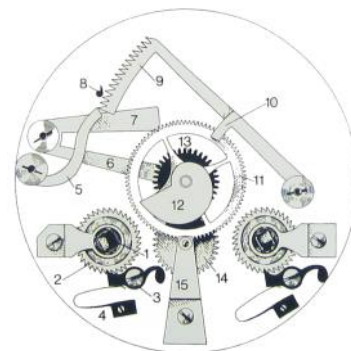
Fourth – Value is relative.

Fifth – A challenge—"it is in our genes to fix things".

This Month

REPAIRING EIGHT DAY AMERICAN STRIKING CLOCKS

Meet Steven G. Conover in the workshop, and follow along as he works on the 8-day movements. This video shows the complete strike cycle and how each part works. In addition it teaches how to let down the mainspring safely, use the spring winder to uncoil the mainspring, disassemble, reassemble a movement, and much more! The presentation may be fairly basic for some, but there has been much interest for this subject. The video is clear and provides a good overview on what can be encountered in a time and strike repair and how to address these issues



TIME TRIVIA

The development of radar and extremely high frequency radio communications in the 1930s and 1940s made possible the generation of the kind of electromagnetic waves (microwaves) needed to interact with atoms. Research aimed at developing an atomic clock focused first on microwave resonances in the ammonia molecule. In 1949, NIST built the first atomic clock, which was based on ammonia. However, its performance wasn't much better than the existing standards, and attention shifted almost immediately to more promising atomic-beam devices based on cesium.

He showed us a German Alarm with Turkish numbers, it was in pieces when he got it, possibly from the nineteen-teens or 1920's.

Sixth – Sentimental Value – he has two from 1948 that were his Grandfather's and his father's. Bob has many different kinds of clocks in his collection.

He has a Little Ben clock that "runs away from you" and a 1908 Big Ben from Westclox.

He has a Little Ben that has no name on the dial but says 7/28/10 so it's from 1910. These clocks were made from 1910 to 1912 so are scarce. The 2" movement has a minute hand that is offset. Bob took the shaft out of another clock.



It used printers lead which expands when it cools. Little Ben— again they reused the name.

What to look for—time set at 12 o'clock, not the center. The alarms set is down. It takes a 440 left hand thread! Sets alarm in clockwise direction!

SHOW AND TELL: Bob showed us various baby Ben's. Ray Brown showed s an electric "Gloria" by Hammond. It was a 50 cycle clock but is converted to 60 cycle. Jerry K. showed us 3 European alarm clocks: 1. Cylinder from late 1800's, cast brass & wood. 2. German 3. French pendulum.

Ed Athey Showed us a Westclox La Salle Duracase from 1930-34. There are different case styles. This is a baby Ben movement with a Butter finish.

Steve K. showed us a 3 day alarm that strikes the ½ hour at the hour. Dave Weisbart showed us a Ansonia Apex from the 1920's with no glass but an 8 day alarm. It has a lever to control the length of alarm which is similar to a phonograph needle. It has a 24 hour set alarm.

Raffle prizes were won by Randy Ema, Ray Brown and Phyllis Adams.



UPCOMING MARTS

NOVEMBER 2014

[2014 Southern Regional](#)

When: Nov 8 - 9

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

[2014 Mid-Eastern Regional](#) (Click here for site)

When: Nov 13 - 15

Where: 1921 West Lee Street, Greensboro, NC

[2014 Mid-Eastern Regional](#) (Click Here for the Registration Form)

When: Nov 13 - 15

Where: Greensboro Coliseum Complex Special Events Center, Greensboro, NC, US [Register Now](#)



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Full details for all upcoming marts:

<http://community.nawcc.org/events/upcomingevents/>

JANUARY 2015

[2015 Kentucky Thoroughbred Regional](#)

When: Jan 16 - 17

Where: Clarion Hotel, Lexington, KY

[2015 Greater Los Angeles Regional](#)

When: Jan 29 - 31

Where: Pasadena Convention Center, Pasadena, CA

**DATED MEETING NOTICE
PLEASE DO NOT DELAY**

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OUR NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY NOVEMBER 7, 2014

Program

VIDEO:

**REPAIRING EIGHT
DAY AMERICAN
STRIKING CLOCKS**

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:

Dave will tell us about the recent Ward Francillon Time Symposium, including several pictures from the exhibit

Show & Tell:

Horological items beginning with letter "P" or an 8-day American Striking Clock

Board Meeting:

No Board Meeting this month

