

Tic Talk Times



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Meeting Minutes, November 2, 2012

DRIVING ON SUNSHINE

President Sally DiMino called the meeting to order at 8 p.m.

Bob Linkenhoker gave a beginner's corner on Ships Bells Watches. Your editor was looking forward to this, because I figured it was about repeater watches that sounded ship's bells; however, that was not the case. Bob explained that on ships the day is split into six (really 7 when you consider the Dog Watch) watches or on duty cycles. These are names: First Watch or Evening Watch from 8:00 PM to Midnight, Mid Watch from Midnight to 4:00 AM, Morning Watch from 4:00 AM to 8:00 AM, Forenoon Watch from 8:00 AM to Noon, Afternoon Watch from Noon to 4:00 PM and finally the Dog Watch which consist of two 2 hour periods to allow the watch standers to shift their duty cycles to different hours. The ship's bell is struck each half hour progressing from 1 bell at the first half hour of a watch to 8 bells at the end of each watch. In the 16th or 17th century the quartermaster would use a 1/2 hour sandglass to tell him when to ring the next set of bells. English and American ships use one of two different watch schedules. These being 4 hours on duty and 4 hours off duty also called Port and Starboard Sections. The other and more common system used today is 4 hours on duty and 8 hours off duty. In this case the watch standers are split into sections called A,B,C sections.

Ray Brown gave a program entitled 'Driving on Sunshine'. He installed solar panels on his house which provide electricity for his car also. This involved an initial investment of 16,000 dollars and maximum 9 per cent tax free investment. He has generated 90 per cent of his electricity which saves him approximately 100 dollars a month. When he generates his own electricity the meter runs backward. He bought the car to use up the excess electricity and he can get 43 miles out of a full charge. He uses very little gasoline and can program the car to be charged up when he leaves in the morning. The charges for electricity vary; on peak is from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and there are also off peak and super off peak charges.

Show and Tell for R; 1. Ray Brown had a Rewinding battery desk clock, which is actually a 'car clock in a case. The name is Renetour. Paul Martyn brought in 'RA' German clock; to go faster, you turn up; to go slower you turn down; the name is 'Avan' and it has a French notation. Doug Lynn brought in a 1870's pocket watch, railroad grade, with a swing-out movement, 17 jewels. The name is 'Rockford.'

The raffle was won by Randy Ema, Doug Lynn and Ray Brown.

There will be no board meeting in December. The program will be by Tony Baker presenting a clock he designed. Dave Weisbart moved to close and Bob Linkenhoker seconded

This Month

PARTY TIME!

Back at our Holiday Party in 2008, Dave Weisbart introduced the "Horology Follies," a compilation of humorous skits and animations, all clock related, from some of the biggest names in comedy: Sid Caesar, Charlie Chaplain, Mickey Mouse, Monty Python's Flying Circus, England's "Goon Show" and others. Dave has expanded this even further this year including an item of local horological community interest (involving Groucho Marx).

We'll also have our traditional 50/50 raffle. And don't forget that you get free admission to the meeting if you bring a plate of holiday finger-food. You're sure to have a great time. See you there!

It's Chapter 69's
Holiday Party!
Lots of fun
for everyone!



- Free admission with a plate of holiday food
- 50/50 drawing

plus
"Horology Follies"

- Mickey Mouse
- Charlie Chaplain
- Sid Caesar
- Monty Python & more!



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS STRIKES AGAIN (AND AGAIN)

NOVEMBER 8--Thanks to this past weekend's daylight saving time switch, an Ohio man was arrested for two separate drunk driving incidents at the same time early Sunday morning, records show.

Niles Gammons, 22, was first pulled over by an Urbana cop when he was spotted driving an Oldsmobile the wrong way in an alley. Pictured at right, Gammons was pulled over at 1:08 AM by an officer who reported that he reeked of booze and had glassy eyes.

Sergeant Dave Reese noted that when he sought to have Gammons perform a Breathalyzer test, "I could hear that he had something in his mouth." As it turned out, Gammons's mouth was filled with pennies.

"I then advised Niles that pennies in the mouth were a myth and that it did not help in taking a breath test," Reese noted.

After Gammons's blood alcohol content was measured at .116, he was arrested for drunk driving. After being transported to the Urbana police headquarters, Gammons was issued citations and "released to an adult."

Following Gammons's departure, Reese wrote, "At 2:00 AM, the time changed from daylight savings time to standard time and 2:00 AM became 1:00 AM."

At 1:08 AM--"exactly one hour after the first stop"--Reese was driving his patrol car in Urbana's municipal parking lot when a vehicle "backed out of a spot rapidly and nearly collided with my cruiser."

Reese quickly determined that Gammons was behind the wheel. "I asked Niles why he was driving, because he was under suspension and still intoxicated." Gammons replied that "his friend that picked him up dropped him off and refused to take him home."

Then, in a sterling example of intoxicated logic, Gammons explained that he "was afraid of getting arrested for public intoxication so he decided to drive," according to the police report.

Gammons was again arrested for drunk driving and transported to the Urbana Police Division, where his blood alcohol content registered .109.

The separate tickets issued to Gammons both carry the same date and time--November 4 at 1:08 AM. He is set to appear--for both cases--in Champaign County Municipal Court on November 15. Each matter is scheduled for 3:30 PM.



Niles Gammons

UPCOMING MARTS

JANUARY 2012

[2013 KY Thoroughbred Regional](#)

When: Jan 18 - 19

Where: Clarion Hotel,

Lexington, KY, US

[2013 Greater Los Angeles Regional](#)

When: Jan 31 - Feb 2

Where: Pasadena Convention Center,

Pasadena, CA, US



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TIME TRIVIA

The earliest Egyptian calendar was based on the moon's cycles, but later the Egyptians realized that the "Dog Star" in Canis Major, which is now called Sirius, rose next to the sun every 365 days, about when the annual inundation of the Nile began. Based on this knowledge, they devised a 365-day calendar that seems to have begun in 4236 B.C., the earliest recorded year in history

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

January 31 through February 2, 2013 Greater Los Angeles Regional

Pasadena Convention Center • 300 E. Green St. Pasadena, CA 91101
HOSTED BY: SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER 75 & WESTERN ELECTRIC CHAPTER 133

The General Public will be admitted to the Mart area on Saturday!

**THE EXHIBIT WILL FEATURE "Clock Works, Common & Unusual Uses"
The Exhibit and Programs are Free and open to anyone.**

SCHEDULE

Thursday, Jan 31
5 - 8 pm Pre-Registration and
Packet pickup.
6 - 8 pm Mart Table Setup

Friday, Feb 1
8:00 am Registration
7:45 am Program I "To be determined"
9:00 am Mart Opens
12:00 ITR Chapter 175
2:00 pm Program II "To be determined"
4:30 pm 400 day Chapter 168
6:00 pm Mart Closes

Saturday, Feb 2
7:45 am Program III "To be determined"
8:00 am Registration
9:00 am Mart Opens
2:00 pm Program IV "To be determined"
3:00 pm Mart Closes
4 - 5 pm Mart Room Breakdown.
7:00 pm - Banquet

Convention Rate
\$139
Single or Double

Host Hotel:

(Contiguous with Convention Center)
Sheraton Pasadena
303 E. Cordova St.
Use Local Reservations at:
626-449-4000

Pasadena Inn (.4 mile)
400 South Arroyo Parkway
626-795-8401

LODGING

Vagabond Inn (.7 mile)
1203 East Colorado Blvd
626-449-3170

Westway Inn (1.6 mile)
1599 East Colorado Blvd
626-304-9678

**Reserve early, the Sheraton will only hold NAWCC
discounted block of rooms till Jan 16, 2013**

Website: www.2013GLAR.com

E-mail inquires: RLinkenhoker@ca.rr.com
Chairman: Jim Chamberlain • (805) 495-5349

IMPORTANT STUFF!

Tables reserved by groups must be received in the same envelope. Badges & tables are not transferable. Registrations received before January 18, 2013 will be acknowledged. **No Refunds after this date.** Fire code regulations preclude extensions of your table space into aisles or doorways. **No more than two sellers per first table, one seller per each additional table.** The NAWCC, its officers, and members of the Greater Los Angeles Regional are not responsible for any loss, injury, or tort during the meeting. Valid NAWCC membership card required for entrance except Saturday. NAWCC Convention protocol, rules and California State tax laws apply to this convention. Only horological items allowed in Mart room.

Please Print Clearly

TABLE HOLDER NOTE: A California occasional sale form BOE-410-D must be presented before entering the mart. Go to our website and download the form and fill in the information. www.2013glar.com

Pre-Registration Ends January 18, 2013

ITEM	QTY	PRICE	TOTAL
Pre-registration (On site registration \$40) Minors under 18 are free	_____	@ \$35	_____
Mart Tables	_____	@ \$60	_____
Wall Tables	_____	@ \$65	_____
3 Day Vendor Parking	_____	@ \$45	_____
Electricity (per hookup) (Wall Tables ONLY)	_____	@ \$25	_____
Banquet	_____	@ \$35	_____
TOTAL ENCLOSED			<input type="text"/>

Member: _____ NAWCC# _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

E-mail: _____

Family Members _____
(Spouse and minor children)

Other NAWCC members _____ # _____
(Include NAWCC #)

Special request: _____

For Sellers: I sell primarily Watches Clocks

Mail application & Check to: Greater LA Regional
7186 Calico Circle,
Corona, Ca. 92881

Make checks payable to: GREATER LA REGIONAL

**DATED MEETING NOTICE
PLEASE DO NOT DELAY**

*The National
ASSOCIATION OF
WATCH & CLOCK
Collectors, Inc.*
Orange County Chapter No. 69
c/o Cora Lee Linkenhoker
7186 Calico Cir.
Corona, CA 92881



OUR NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY DECEMBER 7, 2012

Program:

HOLIDAY PARTY!

Beginner's Corner Mini-Seminar:

No Beginner's Corner this month

Show & Tell:

Horological items beginning with letter "S" or any
Holiday themed horological item

Board Meeting:

No board meeting this month

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

